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AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL. LONDON :- F. ALGAR, 8, Clement's Lune, Lombard Street. GEORGE STREET, 30, Cornhill. GORDON & GOTCH, Ludgate Oirous, E. C. BATES, HENDY & Co. 4, Old Jewry, E.C. SAMUEL DEACON & Co., 150 & 164, Leadenhall Street.

NEW YORK :- ANDREW WIND, 133, 1941sau Street. AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND :- GORDON & GOTOH, Mil-

bourne and Sydney. SAN FRANCISCO and American Ports generally:-Bran & Black, San Fran- to sell by Public Auction, on

CHINA: Swatow, QUELCH & CAMPBELL, Amoy, WILSON, NICHOLLS & Co. Foochow, Hanga & Co. Shanghai. LAME, CRAWFORD & Co., and KELLY & WALSH, Manila, C. HRIMSERN & Co. Macao, L. A. DA GRAGA.

Banks.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL,.....5,000,000 Dollars. RESERVE FUND,..... 650,000 Dollars. COURT OF DIRECTORS.

Chairman-H. Hoppius, Esq. Deputy Chairman-F. D. Sassoon, Eaq. E. R. BELILIOS, Esq. | WILHELM REINERS, W. H. FORBES, Esq. Hon. W. KESWICK. ED. TOBIN, Esq. A, McIves, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER. Hongkong,.....Thomas Jackson, Esq. MANAGER.

Shanghai, Ewen Cameron, Esq. LONDON BANKEBS .- London and County Bank.

HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED. ON Current Deposit Account at the rate of 1 per cent. new annual state of 1 per cent. balance.

For Fixed Deposits :-For 3 months, 2 per cent. per annum. 4 per cent.

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED. Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Australia, America, China and Japan. T. JACKSON. Chief Manager. Offices of the Corporation, No. 1, Queen's Road East.

Hongkong, August 16, 1877. CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA,

AUSTRALIA & CHINA.

CAPITAL,....£800,000. RESERVE FUND,.....£110,000. BANKERS.

THE BANK OF ENGLAND. THE CITY BANK. THE NATIONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND.

THE BANK'S BRANCH in HONG-KONG grants Drafts on London and the Chief Commercial places in Europe and the East; buys and receives for collection Bills of Exchange; and conducts all kinds of Banking and Exchange Business. Local Bills discounted, and Interest allowed on Current Accounts and on Deposits for fixed periods on terms which may be ascertained on application.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

AND INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR THE CLAS- p. 62, as "A Complete Atlas of the Two SIFICATION OF SHIPS.

MELCHERS & Co. Hongkong, September 11, 1877.

NOTICE. MR. F. W. HAGEDORN has CEASED to be a Partner in our Firm here and in Union.

VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, September 1, 1877. NOTICE.

TAR. EDWARD BURNIE will Conduct the Business of my Office, during my Temporary Absence from the Colony. R. H. CAIRNS,

Surveyor to Local Offices, and Lloyds Register of Shipping. 2, Club Chambers,

Hongkong, March 17, 1877. NOTICE.

TIROM This Date Mr Edward Sheppard and Mr M. W. GREIG, are authorized to Sign the name of our Firm per Procuration at Foochow, and Mr F. F. ELWELL at Amoy.

RUSSELL & Co. China, June 1, 1877.

NOTICE.

VR. F. C. DITTMER is authorized to

Sign our Firm per Procuration. SANDER & Co. Hongkong, June 23, 1877.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION

ENGLISH-MADE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE; A NEW COTTAGE PIANO, by SCHWARK; BEAUTIFUL WATER-COLOURS, ENGRAVINGS, CHROMOS,

THE Undersigned has received instruc-

SATURDAY. the 22nd Instant, at his Residence,

No. 27, Wellington Street, at 2 p.m.,— The whole of his HOUSEHOLD and Walnut and Satin-covered Couches and Chairs, Blackwood Marble-top Tables, a nice Collection of Water-Colours, Engravings, and Chromos, Carpetting, Marble Clocks, a Large Statuette THE DEVOE MANUFACTURING Co. ("Venus"), with Glass Shade, Bagatelle Table, Side Tables, Pier Glasses, a new Cottage Piano, Dining Table and Chairs, jy11] Whatnots, Sideboard, Complete Dinner and Dessert Services, Glass and Plated-

BEDROOM and OFFICE FURNI-

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchasers' risk on the fall of the hammer.

J. M. GUEDES, JR., Auctionser. Hongkong, September 13, 1877. se22

PUBLIC AUCTION.

AMMERT, ATKINSON & Co. have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

At a Date hereafter to be named,— The British Barque

" ALPHINGTON." of 326 Tons Register or of about 8,000 NOTICE is hereby given that the Ordipiculs Carrying Capacity, with all her TACKLE, APPAREL and Inventory.

Drafts, granted on London, and the 1856, Classed 12 years A 1, at Lloyds Report of the Directors, together with chief Commercial places in Europe, India, and continued in 1868 A 1: for 8 years. Statements of Accounts for the Year 1876, She was Remetalled over Felt in 1877. London in July, 1875.

money to be paid on fall of the hammer, the remainder upon Transfer being effected. The Vessel is at Purchaser's risk immediately after fall of hammer. Hongkong, August 25, 1877.

For Sale.

FOR SALE. OUTLER, PALMER & Co.'s Celebrated

Brands of WINES and SPIRITS. Apply to SIEMSSEN & Co.

Hongkong, June 22, 1876.

FOR SALE. DERLIN TIVOLI BEER, in Cases of 4 Doz. Quarts. WIELER & Co.

Hongkong, August 20, 1877.

ADVERTISEMENT. 地球全圖

TATE have been appointed AGENTS for I in Chinese, with Explanations, which the GERMANIO LLOYD, GERMAN is described in the China Review, Vol. VI, Hemispheres. Second, Revised and Improved Edition," is an entirely new work. It is for SALE in Hongkong at the MAN-

Central School; and in Canton, at the LONDON MISSION CHAPEL, Canal Road. Unmounted, 2. Hongkong, September 11, 1877.

NOW READY.

CHINESE DICTIONARY IN THE CANTONESE DIALECT. Part L. A to K, with Introduction. Royal 8vo., pp. 202.—By Ernest John Etter, Ph.D. Tübingen.

Price! Two DOLLARS AND A HALF. To be had from Messrs Lane, CRAWTORD & Co., Hongkong and Shanghal; and Messra KELLY & WALSH, Shanghai. Hongkong, February 8, 1877.

intimations.

TOWONG HING UNEUNG & Co COAL MERCHANTS, Have always on hand for Sale every description of COAL at Moderate Prices. Mr AHYON has been appointed Manager, and all Orders addressed to him at 57, Prays, or to Mr Far Jack, at 30, Hing Lung Street, will receive immediate atten-Hongkong, March 19, 1877.

intimations.

Bstablished

RELIABLE, ECONOMICAL, SAFE!

tions from T. SHURAFFALLY, Esq., TESIRING to benefit by the worldwide reputation of our Oil, certain ages. Suits at law have been instituted against the MAKERS AND PURCHASERS Of these imitations. Buyers should be careful OFFICE FURNITURE, Consisting of: to see that the words "DEVOE'S BRIL-LIANT" are stendilled on the cases, and the words "DEVOE M'F'G CO. PATENTS are stamped on the top of the can.

80 Beaver and 127 Pearl Streets,

NEW YORK, U.S. A.

W. BALL, CHINA DISPENSARY.

MPORTER OF DRUGS, CHEMICALS DRUGGISTS' BUNDRIES, TOILET REQUISITES, PATENT MEDI-CINES AND PERFUMES.

Prescriptions Dispensed with Carefulness, and Prompt Attention.

PRAYA WEST, HONGKONG, Near the Canton Steamer's Wharf. Hongkong, July 18, 1876.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

SHAREHOLDERS OF THE STATE OF the be Held at its Head Office, Hongkong, on The Vessel was Built under Lloyds WEDNESDAY, the 26th Inst., at 3 o'clock special survey at Berwick-on-Tweed in p.m., for the purpose of receiving the

TERMS:—One-third of the purchase be CLOSED from the 15th to the 26th Instant, both days inclusive. By Order of the Board,

E. MOORE,

Act. Secretary. Hongkong, September 12, 1877.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS FOR THE YEAR

pany are requested to furnish the tographic Albums, Frames, Cases, &c., of Undersigned with a List of their Contribusassorted sizes. Ex S. S. Tigre, Revolving tions for the year ending 31st December Standard Albums, Armorial Monograms Port on or about TUESDAY, the 18th last, in order that the proportion of the and Postage Stamp Albums, Russia Leather, Net Profits to be reserved for Contributors Velvet and carved wood Albums, Cases and may be arranged. Returns not rendered Frames, nice Albums for Cabinet Portraits prior to the 31st October next will be ad- only, Portraits of the Generals of the prejusted by the Company, and no claims or alterations will be subsequently admitted. JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,

Secretary. Hongkong, August 1, 1877.

THE Large MAP OF THE WORLD HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

U.T'one (文裕堂) shop, above the THE DIVIDEND declared for the Halfyear ending on 30th June last, at the rate of ONE POUND STERLING (£1) per Share of \$125, is PAYABLE on and after FRIDAY, the 17th instant, at the Offices of the Corporation, where Shareholders are

requested to apply for Warrants. By Order of the Court of Directors, THOMAS JACKSON,

Chief Manager. Hongkong, August 16, 1877.

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS FOR THE YEAR CHAREHOLDERS in the above Com-

pany are requested to furnish the Undersigned with a List of their Contributions for the year ending 81st December last, in order that the distribution of Twenty per cent (20 %) of the Nett Profits reserved for Contributors may be arranged. Returns not rendered prior to the 31st October next, will be adjusted by the Company, and no claims or alterations will be subsequently admitted.

JARDINE, MATHEBON & Co., General Managers. Hongkong, August 1, 1877.

Intimations.

G. FALCONER & Co., WATCH AND OHRONOMETER MANUFACTURERS,

JEWELLERS. NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS, CHARTS AND BOOKS, 46, Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, August 20, 1877.

NOTICE,

parties have attempted to imitate our pack- TR. A. HAHN begs leave to inform his numerous Patrons and the Public generally of Hongkong, that, by special request, he has now OPENED his ESTAB-LISHMENT in this Colony at WANCHAL in the Premises lately occupied by the

> MR HAHN trusts to be favored with the continued Patronage of the public, as he has lately received a NEW STOCK of RE-PAIRING MATERIALS, all of the best qualities, from England, France and Germany. Inspection invited.

Hongkong, September 7, 1877.

THANOS and any other Musical Instruments TUNED; REPAIRED, and RE-CONSTRUCTED. PIANOS ON HIRE, by the Month or

Occasionally. PIANOS FOR SALE, New and Second-Hand, all in perfectly Good Order, Guaranteed.

Special Attention is invited to a new Grand Cottage PIANO, by Luders and RUBNER, Zeitz-Just Received from Germany, and specially constructed for this climate to the order of the Undersigned. East, will meet with prompt attention if November next. Care of Mesurs Lane, Chawfold & Co.,

Mesars GAUPP & Co. A, HAHN. Hongkong, September 7, 1877.

AH VON.

COMPRADORE AND STEVEDORE,

SHIPPING SUPPLIED WITH ALL KINDS OF WATER, BALLAST, FRESH PROVISIONS & OILMAN'S

STORES The Transfer BOOKS of the Society will Of the best quality and at the shortest notice. Hongkong, May 1, 1876.

> AFONG. PHOTOGRAPHER, by appointment, to

H. E. SIR ARTHUR KENNEDY, GOVERNOR OF HONGKONG; and to

H. L. H. THE GRAND DUKE ALEXIS OF RUSSIA,

Wyndham Street, formerly ATHLETIC CLUB, SHAREHOLDERS in the above Com- Has on hand the Largest and Best collection of Views of China, Phosent Russo-Turkish War, Eminent British Statesmen, the two Chinese Ambassadors in Cabinet and Carte de Visite sizes, Coloured Portraits of English Ladles.

Hongkong, August 24, 1877. Sixth Volume | "CHINA REVIEW."

No. I.-Vol. VI. -OF THE-

IS NOW READY.

CONTAINS-

Chinese Studies and Official Interpretation in the Colony of Hongkong. Constitutional Law of the Chinese Empire. The Tang Hou Ohi, A Modern Chinese

Novel. A Chinese Primer, The Law of Inheritance. Short Notices of New Books and Literary Intelligence. Notes and Queries :-

Chinese Marriages. Studies in Words. The Educational Curriculum of the Restoration of the Old Sounds of the Chinese Language. Notes on Chinese Grammar.

Russian Sinologists. Assyria and China. The Word "Swallow." rrigends.-Chinese Studies and Official Interpretation in the Colony of Hong.

Chies Mail Office, Hongtong, August 81, 1877. intimations.

PACIFIC MAIL S. S. COMPANY.

NOTICE. THE STEAMERS of this COMPANY will be despatched from this Port in Future at 12 o'GLOCK NOON, instead of 3 P.M. as heretofore: RUSSELL & Co.,

Hougkong, September 14, 1877.

DENTAL NOTICE.

TR. ROGERS begs to inform his Patrons and the Public that he intends to visit AMOY and FOOCHOW in September and October, leaving HONG KUNG about the 15th of September. Hongkong, August 6, 1877.

To Let.

TO LET. oo7 NOS. 4, and 5, PECHILI TERRACE, ELGIN

Apply to LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. Hongkong, July 30, 1877.

TO LET. FIGP FLOOR of the House now occupied by Mr A. HAHN, at Wanchai. Apply on the Premises.

Hongkong, September 11, 1877.

ITTHE DWELLING HOUSE in CAINE ROAD, at present in the occupation of Orders from any of the Outports in the H. Du Poury, Esq. Possession from 1st

> Apply to JOHN JACK, East Point.

Hongkong, September 7, 1877.

TO LET. THE Dwelling House and Offices No. 1, D'Aguilar Street, lately in the occupation of Messrs Douglas Lapsair & Co. The Dwelling House No. 6, Gough Street. dured No 10 Comb

Apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. Hongkong, July 9, 1877.

TO LET.

LIOUSE No. 10, Albany Road, lately occupied by the Rev. R. H. Kidd. "Biance Villa," Pok-foo-lum, Furnished. Houses Nos. 8 and 9, Peddar's Hill. DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co. Hongkong, July 21, 1877.

Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR SAIGON. The Steamship "GOLDEN HORN," "GOLDEN HORN,"
Captain George Alton, will
be despatched for the above Instant, at 5 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to AH YON,

Charterer. Hongkong, September 14, 1877.

FOR MANILA. The Steamship "ESMERALDA," Capt. THEBAUD, will be despatched as above on WED-NESDAY, the 19th Instant, at Noon, For Freight or Passage, apply to

A. MAGG. HEATON. Hongkong, September 12, 1877. NOTION.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship "VOLGA," Comdt. ROLLAND, will be despatched for YOKOHAMA shortly after the arrival of the next French

H, DU POUEY, Agent. Hongkong, September 12, 1877.

NOTIOE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship "YANG-TSE." Comdt. RAPATEL, will be de-spatched for SHANGHAI shortly after her arrival from Europe. H. DU POUEY,

Hongkong, September 12, 1877.

shipping. Sailing Vessels.

FOR NAGASAKI. The British Brig FORREST, Master, will have quick despatch as above.

For Freight, apply to ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.,

Hongkong, September 13, 1877.

FOR NEW YORK The A 1 British Bark J. Nicoll, Master, will load nere for the above Port, and Will have quick despatch.

VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, August 16, 1877. FOR NEW YORK The A 1 British Barque

For Freight, apply to

HASTINGS, Master, will load will have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to

VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, August 16, 1877. FOR NEW YORK. The A 1 German Ship "JOHANNE." BUNJE, Master, will load here

for the above Port, and will have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

Hongkong, July 31, 1877.

immediate despatch.

FOR LONDON. The A 1 British Bark WyETH, Master, will load for the above Port, and will have

For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, Saptember 20, 1017.

FOR LONDON. GEO. IEVING, Mester, will have early despatch as above. For Freight, apply to

VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

Hongkong, July 28, 1877. FOR SAN FRANCISCO. The 3/3 L. I. L. German Ship "GALATEA," JAEGER, Master, will load here

for the above Port, and will have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

Hongkong, September 10, 1877. FOR SAN FRANCISCO. The A 1 British Ship J. HARRIS, Master, will load here for the above Port, and

will have immediate despatch. For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, September 1, 1877.

FOR HAMBURG. The A 1 British Bark "LORD MACAULAY. Capt. Monkman, will load for the above Port, and will have

VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to

Hongkong, July 20, 1877. FOR LONDON. 3/3 L. 1. 1. American Ship B. F. BERRY, Master, having the greater portion of her

Cargo engaged, will have quick despatch as above. For Freight, apply to MEYER & Co.

Hongkong, September 12, 1877. FOR NEW YORK. The A 1 American Ship "GOLD HUNTER," J. FREEMAN, Master, will load here for the above Port, and

will have early despatch. For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, September 8, 1877.

Notices to Consignees.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per British Barque WOODVILLE, NIELSEN Master, from HAMBURG, are requested to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and Bills of Lading will be countersigned by WM. PUSTAU & Co..

Hongkong, September 5, 1877.

Malle.

U. S. MAIL LINE. PACIFIC MAIL STRAMSHIP COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUGHING AT YOROHAMA, AND SAN EBANGISCO.

THE U.S. Mail Steamer CITY OF TOKIO will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama, on THURSDAY, the 20th Instant, 1877, at 12 o'Clock Noon, taking Passengers, and Freight, for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Through Pessenger Tickets and Bills of Lading are issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, and to New York and Europe via OVERLAND RAILWAYS.

... A Steamer of the Mitsu Blahl S. S. Company will leave Shanghai, via the InlandSea Ports, about same date, and make close connection at Yokohama.

At New York, Passengers have selection of various lines of Steamers to England. France and Germany.

Freight will be received on board until 4 p.m., 19th Instant. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m. E. H. Lavers, Esq., (Messrs Gilman & Co.)

name day; all Parcel Packages should be Hugh Sutherland, Esq., (Messrs John Fore marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Involces to accompany Overland Cargo should be sent to the Company's Offices in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For security's sake, Shippers of Overland Cargo are requested to endorse on the Envelope the Marks and Nos. of Packages Shipped, to correspond with those in their Bills of Lading.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 9, Praya Central. -

RUSSELL & Co., Agents. Hongkong, September 13, 1877.



STEAM FOR

Singapore, Penang, Point de Galle. Aden, Suez, Malta, Brindisi, Ancona, Venice, Mediterranean Southampton, Ports.

and London,

Bombay, Madras, Calcutta, and Australia.

PENINSDIAN AND ORIENTAL STRAM LOMBARDY, Captain HALL, will leave this T SATURDAY, the 22nd September,

or insther Particulars apply to Hongkong, September 10, 1877.

Occidental & Oriental Steam-Ship Company.

TARING THROUGH CARGO AND PASSENGERS FOR THE UNITED STATES AND EUROPE.

EIT HEIW KOIFOEKKO-D-CENTRAL

UNION PAUL/10 AND CONNECTING RAILROAD COMPANIES

ATLANTIC STEAMERS.

THE S. S. "GAELIC" will be despatched for San Francisco via Yokohama, on MONDAY, the 1st October, at 8 p.m., taking Cargo and Passengers for Japan, the United States and Europe. Connection is made at Yokohama, with

Steamers from Shanghal Freight will be received on Board until 5 p.m. of the 30th Instant. PARCEL PACKAGES will be received at the Office until 5 p.m. same day: all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full : value of same is required.

Return Passage Tickets available for 6 months are issued at a reduction of 20 per cent, on regular rates.

For further information as to Freight of Passage, apply to the Agency of the required to do so. Company, No. 87, Queen's Road Central. G. B. EMORY, Agent.

Hongkong, September 10, 1877.

NOTICE.

THE CHINESE MAIL,

TROM and after the Chinese New Year's day (February 17, 1874) the Chinese Mail will be issued DATLY instead of TRI-WEEKLY as heretofore. No change, however, will be made in the price of subscription, which will remain at \$4 per annum.

The charges for advertisements are now essimilated to those of the China Mail. The unusual success which has attended the Chinese Mail makes it an admirable medium for advertisers.

The Conductors guarantee an eventual sirculation of one thousand copies. It is already the most influential native journal published, and enjoys considerable prestige at the Ports of China and Japan, and at Singapore, Penang, Calcutto, San Francis. so and Australia.

For terms, &c., address ME CHUN AYIN, Manager.

China Mail Office, Main Boisenary, 1946, Insurances.

HAMBURG-MAGDEBURG FIRE IN-SURANCE Co. OF HAMBURG.

THIS Company is now Prepared to Issue Policies against LOSS or DAMAGE by FIRE at Current Rates. Every Risk taken by this Company is participated in by Three of the largest German Fire Insurance Companies, representing an aggregate Capital and Surplus of over SIXTY MILLION MARKS, equal to FIFTEEN MILLION DOLLARS. thus enabling this Company to accept large

SANDER & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, June 26, 1877.

THE NORTH-CHINA INSURANCE CO.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL-Taels Two Million. in 1,000 shares of Tails 2,000 each, PAID UP CAPITAL-Taels Six Hundred Thousand, or Taels 600 per share.

PROVISIONAL COMMITTEE. F. H. Bell, Esq. (Messrs Adamson, Bell & Co.) M. S. GUBBAY, Esq., (Messrs David Sassoon,

Sons & Co.) James Hart, Esq., (Messrs Turner & Co.) HUGH SUTHERLAND, Esq., (Messrs John Forster

A. G. Wood, Esq., (Messrs Gibb, Livingston.

HEAD OFFICE-SHANGHAI. Secretary-Herbert S. Morris, Esq. BANKERS.

Hongrong & Shanghai Banking Corporation, Branches. LONDON (25, Cornhill, E.C.), HONGKONG, YOROHAMA.

AGENCIES. At the principal ports in the East and Australian

THE Company will be constituted on the 1st January, 1878, as a permanent Marine Insurance Company, to carry on the business (established in 1863) of the NORTH CHINA INSUBANCE COMPANY, 1875-1877.

A Reserve Fund will be formed of Taels 400,000, by setting aside a portion of the profits at such times and in such sums as the Shareholders shall decide.

The net profits of the Company for each year will be divided amongst the Shareholders, in the following manner:-

One-third over the Shares, a portion thereof being set aside for the formation of a Reserve Fund as above stated. Two-thirds as a return to Contributors (being Shareholders), in proportion to the Premia paid or influenced by them.

A revision of the Share List will take place at the end of every three years, and for this purpose power will be given to the Directors by the Deed of Settlement to withdraw at the before-mentioned periods all or any of the Shares held by Shareholders who have not contributed Premia or whose contributions during the preceding three years have not been in proportion to the number of Shares held.

Shareholders retiring from the Company in pursuance of the above regulation, will the data fixed for any such revision of the Share List, and will have the option of disposing of their Shares in either of the tollowing ways :---

They will be at liberty at any time after receipt of notice of withdrawal, and prior to the date of revision, to sell their Shares to any person approved by the Company and a septed as the transferee ;

Upon surrendering their scrip certificate for cancellation at the time of such revision, and pursuant to notice, will receive a return of the Capital paid up thereon; and so soon after as the financial position of the Company up to the date of the revision can be ascertained and the accounts adjusted, they shall also receive a pro-rata share of the Reserve Fund, if any accumulated, together with such proportion of the unappropriated profits as may be found

Notice is HEREBY GIVEN, that Applications for Shares in the undermentioned form will be received at the offices of the Company, from residents in China and Japan, until the 30th September; from London and distant ports until 31st October next.

FORM OF APPLICATION FOR SHARES.

To the Provisional Committee of the NORTH-CRINA INSURANCE COMPANY.

due to them.

hereby request that you will allot to Shares in the above Company, and.....sgree to

accept such Shares, or any less number you may allot to.....; aud..... agree to pay the first call of Tls. 600 per Share, and all subsequent calls, and to subscribe the Deed of Settlement when Gentlemen.

Your obedient servant. **********

Forms of application for Shares can be obtained at the Head-office, or by application to the Agents of the Company. Shanghai, June 18, 1877.

SHEONG ON FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

CAPITAL ONE MILLION DOLLARS.

Directors. Kwok Acheone, Merchant. PANS YIM, Merchant, Ho Sail; of Hop Yik Chan, Merchant. Loo YEZ, of the Yse On Hong, Merchant, LEE Sing, of Lai Hing Firm, Merchant. CHEANG SING YEONG, Merchant, CHOY CHAM, Merchant,

Manager—HO AMEL

DOLICIES against FIRE granted on Buildings and on Goods stored therein at OURRENT RATES, subject to Discount of 20 % on the Premis.

OFFICE, 48, Bonham Strand.

Hongkong, August 23, 1877.

Insurances.

THE OHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED,

HEAD OFFICE-HONGKONG. GENCIES at all the Treaty Ports of

China and Japan, and at Singapore. Saigon and Penang. Risks socepted, and Policies of Insurance ranted at the rates of Premium current a

the above mentioned Ports. NO CHARGE FOR POLICY PARS, JAS. B. COUGHTRIE.

Secretary. Hongkong, November 1, 1871.

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

(FIRE AND LIFE.)

CAPITAL TWO MILLIONS STREETING.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant Portors against the Risk of FIRE on Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on Coals in Matsheds, on Goods on board Vessels and on Hulls of Vessels in Harbour, at the usual Terms and Conditions. Proposals for Life Assurances will be re-

celved, and transmitted to the Directors If required, protection will be granted on first class Idves up to £1000 on a Single

For Rates of Premiums, forms of proposals or any other information, apply to ARNHOLD, KARBERG . Co. Agents Hongkong & Canton.

Hongkong, January 4, 1867,

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY. MHE Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant Insurances at ourrout rates MELCHERS & Co.,

Agente, Royal Insurance Company Hongkong, October 27, 1874.

INSURANCE COMPANY OHINESE (LIMITED.) NOTICE.

DOLIOIES granted at current rates on Marine Risks to all parts of the World. In accordance with the Company's Articles of Association, Two Thirds of the Profits are distributed annually to Contributors. whether Shareholders or not, in proportion to the nett amount of Premia contributed by each, the remaining third being carried to Reserve Fund.

OLYPHANT & Co., General Agents. Hongkong, April 17, 1873.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY,

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant Policies against Fire to the extent of without an Ralldhours on frederit Discount of 20% on the Premia, NORTON & Co..

Agents. Hongkong, January 1, 1874.

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

Incorporated by Royal Charter and Special Acts of Parliament,

ESTABLISHED 1809. CAPITAL £2,000,000.

THE Undersigned, Agents at Hongkong for the above Company, are prepared to grant Policies against FIRE, to the extent of £10,000 on any Building, or on Merchandise in the same, at the usual Rates, subject to a discount of 20 per cent.

GILMAN & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, July 6, 1875.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE. INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER

His Majesty King George The Birst, A. D. 1720.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Corporation are prepared to grant Insurances as follows:-

Marine Department, Policies at current rates payable ofther here, in London or at the principal Ports of India, China and Australia.

Fire Department. Policies issued for long or short periods at current rates. A discount of 20 % allowed. Life Department, Policies issued for sums not exceeding £5,000 at reduced rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co. Hongkong, July 25, 1872.

MANOHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY,

FIHE Undersigned Agents are in receipt Directors authorizing them to issue Policies to the extent of £10,000 on any one first class rink, or to the extent of \$15,000 on adjoining risks at oursent rates. A Discount of 20% allowed.

- HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co. Hongkong, January 8, 1878.

MANOHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF MANCHESTER AND LONDON,

THE Undersigned have been appointed Agents for the above Company at Hongkong, Canton, Foothow, Shanghai and Hankow, and are prepared to grant Institution at ourself rates. HOLLIDAY, WISE & Uo, Hongkong, October 14, 1868.

Intimations.

CHINA REVIEW.

THE widely-expressed regret at the discontinuance of Notes & Queries on China and Japan, has induced the publishers of this journal to issue a publication similar in object and style, but slightly modified in certain details.

THE CHINA REVIEW, or Notes and Queries on the Far East, is issued at intervals of two months, each number containing about 60 octavo pages, occasionally illustrated with lithographs, photographs woodcuts, &c., should the papers published demand, and the circulation justify, such extra matter.

The subscription is fixed at \$6.50 postage paid, per annum, payable by non-residents in Hongkong half-yearly in advance. The publication includes papers original

and selected upon the Arts and Sciences, Street, Ethnology, Folklore, Geography, History, Literature, Mythology, Manners and Customs, Natural History, Religion, &c., &c., of China, Japan, Mongolia, Tibet, the Eastern Archipelego and the "Far East" generally. A more detailed list of subjects upon which contributions are especially invited is incorporated with each number Original contributions in Chinese, Latin, French, German, Spanish, Italian or Portuguese, are admissible. Endeavours are made to present a resume in each Customs. number of the contents of the most recent works bearing on Chinese matters. Great attention is also paid to the Review

department Notes and Replies are classified together as "Notes" (head references being given, when furnished, to previous Notes or Queries), as are also those queries which, though asking for information, furnish new or unpublished details concerning the matter in hand. It is desirable to make the Queries proper as brief and as much to the point as possible.

The China Review for July and August 1875. Is at hand. It says that forty-two essays were sent in to compete for the bes paper on the advantages of Christianity for the development of a State. All our learn ed societies should subscribe to this scholarly and enterprising Review. It is a sixty paged, bi-monthly, repertory of what scholars are ascertaining about China. The lecture on Chinese Poetry in this volume is alone worth the price of the Review. Address China Review, Hongkong,-Northern Christian Advocate (U.S.)

Trübner's Oriental Record contains the following notice of the China Review :- "This is the title of a publication, the first number of which has lately reached us from Hongkong, where it has been set on foot as in some respects a continuation of Notes and Queries on China and Japan, the extinction of which useful serial a year or two ago has been much regretted in Europe as well as in China. The present publication, judging by the number now before us, is intended to occupy a position, as regards China and the neighbouring countries, somewhat similar to that which has been filled in India by the Calcutta Review. The great degree of attention that has been bestowed of late years upon the investigation of Chinese literature, antiquities, and social developments, to say nothing of linguistic studios, has led to the accumulation of important stores of informlidity as is now provided extremely desirable; and contributions of much interest may fairly be looked for from the members of the foreign consular services, the Chinese Customs' corps, and the missionary body, among whom a high degree of Chinese scholarship is now assiduously cultivated, and who are severally represented in the first number of the Review by papers highly creditable to their respective authors. In a paper on Dr. Legge's She King, by the Rev. E. J. Eitel, to which the place of honour is deservedly given, an excellent summary is presented of the chronological problems and arguments involved in connexion with this important work. Some translations from Chinese novels and plays are marked by both accuracy and freshness of style; and an account of the career of the Chinese poet-statesman of the eleventh century, Su Tung-p'o, by Mr. E. C. Bowra, is not only historically valuable, but is also distinguished by its literary grace. Besidenotices of new books relating to China and the East, which will be a useful feature of the Review, if carried out with punctuality and detail, we are glad to notice that "Notes" and "Queries" are destined to find a place in its pages also. It is to be hoped that this opening for contributions on Chinese subjects may evoke a similar degree of literary zeal to that which was displayed during the lifetime of its predecessor in the field, and that the China Review may receive the support necessary to insure its continuance. The publication is intended to appear every two months, and will form a substantial cotavo magazine.

THE CHINESE MAIL.

paper is now issued every The subscription is fixed at Four Dollars per annum delivered in Hongkong, or Seven Dollars Fifty Cents including postage to Coast ports.

It is the first Chinese Newspaper ever issued under purely native direction. The editorial department is conducted by Mr Chun Ayin, whose experience and competence have already been most fully demonstrated. The chief support of the paper is of course derived from the native piculs, per Day, community, amongst whom also are to be let Class Cargo Boat of 8 or 900 found the guarantors and securities necessary to place it on a business and legal footing.

The projectors, basing their estimates upon the most reliable information from the various Ports in China and Japan,from Australia, California, Singapore, of instructions from the Board of Penang, Salgon, and other places frequented by the Chinese, - consider themselves in guaranteeing an ultimate circulation of between 3,000 and 4,000 copies. The advantages offered to adverthere are therefore liminually great, and the foreign community generally will find it to their interest to avail themselves of

The field open to a paper of this description-conducted by native efforts, but ments. progressive and anti-obstructive in tonein almost limitless. It on the one hand commands, Chinese belief and Interest while on the other deserves every aid that can be given to it by foreigners. Like English journals it contains Editorials, with Local, Shipping, and Commercial News and Advertisements.

Subscription orders for either of the above tony be sent to GEO MURRAY BAIN, China Mail Office.

Intimations.

THE HONGKONG CHINESE MAIL

HE Circulation of THIS PAPER has been very much extended. The following are some of its Agents:---

Macao. - Man Chuen Shop. Canton. - Sing Chuen Native Post Office Luen Hing Street; Chui Heung Low Hotel, Luen Hing Street; Kwong Tin Fat Shop, Yan Tsal Street; Mr Sit Chuen Fan, Tung Wen Kwan; Yuen Fong Shop, in front of the Provincial Treasurer's Yamen; How Yuen Shop, Small Market Street, New City; Yes Cheung Photograph Shop, Honam; Kwai Heung Shop, Sin Choong, Honam,

Swatow. - Sui Cheong Hong; Woh Shun Loong Hong

Amoy,-Ohtin Cheong Hong, Mook Kel Hoochow. -Mr Yu Ching Cheong, Foo-

chow Arsenal; Mr Lum Kwok Ching, Marltime Customs Shanghai -Mr Ng Ching Shun, Mark time Customs; Mr Ho Yue Chuen, Mari-

time Customs; Mr Chun Sing Hoi, Mesers Jardine, Matheson & Co.; Mr Kwong Chuen Fook, Educational Mission School and Mow Sing Sang Kee shop Ningpo.-Mr Sung Min Chee, Maritime

Hankow. - Yes Hing Hong.

Chefoo. - Yee Shun Hong. Japan. -- Mr Loong Chun Tong, Municis pal Office, Yokohama,

Saigon - Wohang Hong, Singapore Ting Kee Hong ; Kwons FOOR Sang Hong.

Penang. - Yow Wing Fong; Argus Office. Calcutta .- Mow Sing Company. San Francisco,-Kwong Foong Tai Hong.

The above are some of the Agencies; others will be published, when they are arranged for. Negociations are in progress with the express couriers who carry the official despatches and Peking Gasettes, to circulate the Chinese Mail in the interior of

Hongkong, March 10, 1874.

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WILLS,

China Mail Office, 2, Wyndham Street, (Back of Club).

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Chairs and Ordinary Pullaway Boats. Half hour, 10 cts. | Hour, 20 cts. Three hours, .. 50 cts. Six hours, 70 cts. Day (from 6 to 6),... ... One Dollar,

Licensed Bearers (each). Hour, 10 centa, Helf day, ... 35 cents. Day, 50 cents,

BOAT AND COOLIE HIRE. 1st Class Cargo Boat of 8 or 900 piculs, per Load, and Class Cargo Boat of 600 piculs, per Day, 2nd Class Cargo Boat of 800

picula, per Load, 3rd Class Cargo Boat or Ha-kau Boat of 800 picule, per Day, Brd Class Cargo Boat or Ha-kau Boat of 800 picula, per Lond, Srd Clars Cargo Boat or Ha-kau Boat of 800 picule, Helf Day, Sampans. or Pullaway Boats, per Day,

One Hour, Half-en-Hour, ... Nothing in this Scale prevents private agree That for the Street Coolies is as fol-

STREET COOLIES, Boals of Hire for Street Goolles. One Hont, 5 Half Hour, 8 Nothing in the above Scale is to affect private POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET. The United States Mail Packet CITY OF YOKIO will be despatched on THURS-DAY, the 20th Instant, with Malie for Japan, San Francisco, and the United States, which will be closed as follows, instead of as previously notified ;-

11 A.M. Registry of Letters ceases. 11.30 A.M. Post-Office closes.

11.30 A.M. Correspondence for Japan the United States, or Union Countries only may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 12 cents extra Postage until

11.50 P.M. when the Mail is finally closed. Hongkong, September 13, 1877. se20

MAILS BY THE ENGLISH PACKET. The English Contract Packet LOMBARDY will be despatched with the Mails for Europe, do., on SATURDAY, the 22nd September. The following will be the hours of closing

the Malis, dro. :-Friday, the 21st September. — 5 P.M., Money Order Office closes, 6 P.M., Post Office closes except the NIGHT Box, which remains open all night,

Saturday, the 22nd September. 7 A.M., Post Office opens for sale of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence, 10 A.M., Post Office closes except for Late Letters. Registry of Letters ceases.

10.15 A.M., Letters may be posted with LATE FUE of 18 cents extra Postage till 11 A.M., when the Post Office Closes [11.30 A.M., Letters (but Letters only) addressed to the United Kingdom Via Brindisi, or to Singapore, may

be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 48 cents extra postage, 11.50 A.M., when the Mall is finally Hongkong, September 10, 1877.

Shipping Intelligence. The following is corrected from the latest London and Colonial Papers :-VESSELS TO ARRIVE. AT HONGKONG.

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7, City of Limerick (a.), London 10, Agamemnon (s.), Liverpool 10. Niagara, Coxbaven Horsa. Liverpool 18, Jessie Jamieson. Cardiff 14. Abernyte, Liverpool 18, Carl Ritter, Cardiff 25, Globe, Deal 30, Ferdinand, Cardiff

AT SHANGHAI. 2. Goodell, New York 5. Abbey Cowper, London

12. Edward Barrow, Antwerp 19, Norman Court, Gravesenc 30, Wylo, London 4, Hermann; Deal 9, Birchyale, London Navesink. New York 14, Adolph, Cuxhaven

30, Hopewell, Glasgow 2.00 8, Leander. London 11, Golden State, New York 2.50 17, Belle Morse, New York

AT AMOY. 1.50 16, Bessie Morris, Swansea Cardiff Swanses

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Glenariner. Braemar Castle. Radnorshire, Glenfinlas. Benarty. Glenearn. Sailing Vessels. Rutlandshire. Titania.

Felix Mendelssohn, Falcon, Johann Smidt. At Liverpool.

Ulysses (s.)

Agnes Mulr.

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Intlmations.

THE CHINESE MAIL. TERMS OF ADVERTISING IN THE Chinese Mail.

TIWO conts a character for the first 100 characters, and one cent a character beyond the first 100, for first insertion, and half price for repetitions during the first week. Subsequent weeks' insertions will be charged only one half the amount of the first week's charge. Advertisements for half a year and longer will be allowed a deduction of 25 per cent on the total amount, and contracts for more favourable terms can be made.

Efforts have been made to establish Agents for circulating the Chinese Mail inall the ports and in the interior of China, all the ports in Japan, in Salgon, Singapore, Penang, Calcutta, Batavia, Manila, the Phillippines, Australia, San Francisco, Peru and other places which Chinese frequent, When the list of Agencies is completed, it will be published. Agents have been already established in most of the above places, and in important ports more than one agent has been appointed at each.

> CHUN AYIN. Manager.

Hongkong, February 28, 1874.

POSTAL RATES.

[Subjoined we give the postal rates now in force for transmission of correspondence to all parts of the world Detailed rules affecting the transmispackets, parcels, &c., will found annexed, together with a number of miscellaneous and useful notices.]

Hongkong Rates of Postage.

(Revised July 2nd, 1877.)

In the following Statements and Tables the Rates are given in cents, and are, for Letters, per half ounce, for Books and Patterns, per two ounces,

Newspapers over four ounces in weight are charged as double, treble, &c. as the case may be, but such papers or packets of papers may be sent at Book Rate. Newspapers must not be folded together as one. nor must anything whatever be inserted except bone fide Supplements. Printed matter may, however, be enclosed, if the whole be paid at Book Rate. Prices Ourrent may be paid either as Newspapers or Books.

N.R. means No Registration.

Countries of the Postal Union.

The Union may be taken to comprite Europe, the United States, Brazil, India (including Ceylon, the Straits, and Aden). Japan, Egypt, Labuan, Mauritius, Serchelles, Jamaica, Trinidad, British Guiana, and Bermuda, with all French, Netherlands, Fortuguese, and Spanish Colonies.

Countries NOT in the Union. - The chief countries not in the Union are: the Australasian Group, British North America. Africa (except French, &c., Colonies), and Central America.

Postage to Union Countries.

General Rates, by any route :-12 cents per 1 oz. Letters. Registration, 2 cents each. Newspapers Books and Patterns, 4 cents per 2 cz. Exceptional rates, to the United King-

dom and Union Countries served through the United Kingdom via Brindisi only:-16 cents per 2 oz. Letters. Registration. 8 cents. Newspapers, 4 cents each.

Books and Patterns, 6 cents per 2 oz. There is no charge on redirected corre-

spondence within the Postal Union. Postage to Non-Union Countries.

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LOCAL AND TOWN POSTAGE, & Within any Town or Settle ment, or between Hongkong. Canton, and Macao, in either 2 8 2 Between any other two of the following places (through a British Office) viz. :- Hong. kong, Macao, Ports of China and Japan, Bangkok, Salgon, and the Philippines, by Private

Any publication fulfilling the conditions hereafter named can pass as a newspaper,

Between the above by Con-

The conditions are as follows :---1st. The publication must consist wholly or in great part of political or other news. or of articles relating thereto, or to other current topics, with or without advertise-

2nd. It must be published in numbers at intervals of not more than 31 days, and must be printed on a sheet or sheets unstitched.

3rd. The full title and date of publication must be printed at the top of the first page, and the whole or part of the title and the date of publication at the top of every subsequent page; and this regulation applies to Tables of Contents and Indices.

4th. A supplement must consist wholl or in great part of matter like that of s newspaper, or of advertisements, printed on a sheet or sheets, or a piece or pieces of paper, unstitched; or wholly or in part of engravings, prints, or lithographs illustrative of articles in the newspaper. supplement must in every case be published with the newspaper, and must have the title and date of publication of the newspape printed at the top of every page ; or, if consists of engravings, prints, or lithographs at the top of every sheet or side.

A packet containing two or more newspapers is not chargeable with a higher rate postage than would be chargeable on a book packet of the same weight.

A newspaper posted unpaid, or a packet of newspapers posted either unpaid insufficiently paid, is treated as an unpai or insufficiently paid book packet of the same weight

The postage must be prepaid either by an adhesive stamp, or by the use of a stamped

No newspaper can now be sent through the post a second time for the original postage. For each transmission a fresh postage is required. Every newspaper must be posted either

without a cover (in which case it must not be fastened, whether by means of gum, wafer, sealing war, postage stamp, or otherwise) or in a cover entirely open at both ends, so as to admit of easy removal for examination. If this rule be infringed the newspaper is treated as a letter.

Every newspaper must be so folded, as to admit of the title being readily in-

A newspaper or packet of newspapers which contains any enclosure except supplements is charged as a letter, unless the enclosure be such as might be sent at the book rate of postage, and the entire packet be sufficiently prepaid as a book packet, in which case it is allowed to pass.

A newspaper which has any letter, or any communication of the nature of a letter. written in it or upon its cover, is charged as an unpaid or insufficiently paid letter. No packet of newspapers may be above 5 lbs. in weight, nor above two feet in

A book-packet may contain any number separate books or other publications (including printed or lithographed letters), photographs (when not on glass or in cases containing glass or any like substance), books or other publications, prints, maps, &c., may be either printed, written, engraved, lithographed, or plain, or any mixture of these. Further, all legitimate binding, mounting, or covering of a book, dc., or of a portion thereof, is allowed whether such binding, &c. be loose or attached : as also rollers in the case prints or maps, markers (whether of paper

appertains thereto; but the binding, rollers. &c. must not be sent as a separate packet. Circulars,-i.e., letters which are intended for transmission in identical terms to several persons, and the whole or the greater part of which is printed, engraved, or lithographed, -may also be sent by

book post. But a book-packet may not contain any letter, or communication of the nature of s letter (whether separate or otherwise). unless it be a circular-letter or be wholly printed; nor any enclosure sealed or in any way closed against inspection; nor any other enclosure not allowed by Rule 3. this rule be infringed, the entire packet

is charged as a letter. A book-packet may be posted either without a cover (in which case it must not be fastened, whether by means of gum, wafer, sealing wax, postage stamp, or otherwise), or in a cover entirely open at both ends, so as to admit of the contents being easily withdrawn for examination; otherwise it is treated as a letter. For the greater security of the contents, however, It may be tied at the ends with string Postmasters being authorised to cut the string in such cases, although if they do so

they must again tie up the packet. No book-packet may be above 5 lbs. in weight, nor above 24 inches in length. 12 inches in width, or 12 inches in depth, unless it be sent to or from one of the Government offices.

When, owing to a great and tinusual influx of letters, books, &c., the transmisslon or delivery of the letters would be delayed if the whole mail were dealt with without distinction, book-paskets may be kept back till the next despatch or delivery.

The limit of size for a book-packet Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, Fiji addressed to any place abroad is 24 inches (N.R.), Mozambique (N.R.), Natal, Cape, in length and 12 inches in width or depth. Exceptions - No packet for Algeria. Letters, by Contract Packet 24; by Pri. Azores, Cape de Verd Islands, France, vate Ship 12, Registration, 12; Newspapers, Madeira, or Portugal, or for Egypt, Syria, or Turkey when sent by French Packet.

must be above 18 Indies in length, width, or depth. Gotty dept. of byggered

PATTERNS. They must not be of intrinsic value. This rule excludes all articles of a saleable nature, and indeed whatever may have a value of its own, apart from its mere use: as a pattern; and the quantity of any material sent estensibly as a pattern must not be so great that it can fairly be considered as having on this ground an intrinsic value. Pattern and Sample Post to colonies and

foreign countries is restricted to bond fide trade patterns or samples of merchandise. Goods sent for sale, or in execution of an order (however small the quantity may be), or any articles sent by one private individual to another, which are not actual patterns or samples, are not admissible. Patterns or samples, when practicable, must be sent in covers open at the ends, and in such a manner as to be easy of examination. But samples of seeds, drugs, and such like articles, which cannot be sent in covers of this kind.—but such articles only, -may be posted enclosed in boxes, bags of linen, of other material, fastened in such a manner that they may be readily opened; or, in the case of seeds, &c., for the United States of America, Holland. its possessions, Belgium, Denmark. Greece, Portugal and its possessions, and Switzerland, in bags entirely closed, provided such closed bags are transparent, so as to exable the Officers of the Post Office: readily to satisfy themselves as to the

There must be no writing or printing upon or in any packet except the address of the person for whom it is intended, the address of the sender, a trade mark or number, and the price of the articles.

nature of the contents.

Samples of intrinsic value must not be sent to any foreign country except United States : and in the case of France samples of elder down, raw or thread silk, woollen or goats' hair thread, vanilla, saffron, carmine, or isinglass, are considered to fall under this rule if they weigh more than three cances; and up to this weight raw and spun silk, as well as coloured and twisted silk, may be sent to Germany.

The rule which forbids the transmission tarough the Post of any article likely to injure the contents of the Mail Bags or Boxes, or the person of any Officer of the Post Office is, of course, applicable to the Pattern Post; and a packet containing anvthing of the kind will be stopped, and not sent to its destination. Articles such as the following have been occasionally posted as Patterns, and have been detained as unfit for the Post, viz : Metal boxes, porcelain and China, fruit, vegetables, bunches: of flowers, cuttings of plants, spurs, knives. scissors, needles, pins, pieces of machinery. sharp pointed instruments, samples of metals, samples of ore, samples in glass bottles, pieces of glass, acids of various kinds, curry combs, copper and steel engraving plates, and confectionery of all

Such articles as selssors, knives, razors. forks, steel pens, nails, keys, watch machinery, metal tubing, pieces of metal or ore, provided that they be packed and guarded in so secure a manner as to afford complete protection to the contents of the mail bags and to the Officers of the Post Office, while at the same time they may be easily examined, may be sent as samples to the following countries, but to these alone viz., the Azores, Belgium, Cape de Verd Islands, Denmark, Egypt, Germany, Holland, Madeira, Moldavia, Norway, Portugal, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, United States, Wallachia, and the British Colonies.

Indigo cannot be sent to any place abroad. A packet of patterns or samples sent to the Azores, Cape de Verd Islands, France. Madeira, Portugal, or by French packet. to Turkey, Syria, or Egypt, must not length, one foot in width, nor one in depth. exceed 18 inches in length, width, or depth ; a packet to any other place abroad must not exceed 24 inches in length or 12 inches in width or depth.

To provide the greatest possible facilities drawings, prints, or maps, and any quantity for posting Correspondence for Europe, of paper, or any other substance in ordinary dec., up to the latest moment before the use for writing or printing upon; and the departure of the French Packets, arrangements have been made for receiving at the Post Office late letters-except those and through Australia-from 11.16 A.M. to 11.30 A.M. Each letter must bear a late fee

of 18 cents extra postage. The above arrangement is intended to meet occasional emergencies, and not for the regular posting of extensive correspondence. Should it be found, therefore, that or otherwise) in the case of books, pens or large and unmanageable numbers of letters pencils in the case of pocket-books, &c., are habitually thrown upon the Department and, in short, whatever is necessary for the at the last moment, a heavier late fee will safe transmission of such articles, or usually | be imposed.

A similar supplementary Mail will be made up for Shanghai by the English and French Contract Steamers, the late letters being received from 10 minutes after, up to half an hour after the time of closing. The late fee will also be 18 cents.

Miscellaneous Notices.

There will be communication with Australla via Batavia and Port Darwin, as follows :-

Leave Hongkong by French Packet, ... Sept. 15. Nov. 29. Leave Batavia, Oct. 1. Dec. 13. Due at Port Darwin, .. Oct. 12. Dec. 24.

Sydney, Oct. 31. Jan. 12. Melbourne,.... Nov. 6. Jan. 18. Adelaide Nov. 12. Jan. 24 For the present the correspondence can only be paid to Batavia, from which place it may possibly be forwarded without fur-

ther charge. Mails exchanged with Manila and Saigon. The Philippine Islands being now admitted into the General Postal Union, it follows that all paid correspondence received from Manila in the mails will be delivered free by this Office, and that all paid correspondence sent to Manila in the mails

should be delivered free there. Article IX of the Postal Treaty of Berne provides that "Neither the senders nor the addressees of letters and other postal packets shall be called upon to pay, either In the Country of Origin, or in that of Destination, any tax or duty other than " the recognised rates levied (in the case of paid correspondence) by the despatching office. It is hoped that any extra charge, or apparently extra charge, will at once be brought to the noice of the proper authorities, in either Colony.

The above does not apply in any to loose letters sent outside the mails. These will always be charged on arrival in Hongkong and probably the Manila Office will adopt the name source.

extra charges on correspondence exchanged between this Colony and Saigon, but it is believed it would be found in all cases that the letters, &c., had been sent loose. Any Foreign stamps on loose corre-

spondence are obliterated in this Office. said to whose east them and every Indian Correspondence. Unpaid Letters are not received for the

Indian Mail Packets. The Pre-payment of correspondence for the Straits, India, Caylon, and Aden is com pulsory by whatever opportunity it is:

Registration to Bangkok. Her Britannic Majesty's Consul General for Siam has been good enough to make arrangements by means of which correspondence can be Registered to Bangkok, at the usual charge of 8 cents

Planta & S. P'elece Mails, 1986. " Soldiers' and Sailors' Letters.

Privates in H. M. Army br Navy, Noncommissioned Officers, Army Schoolmas ters (not baperintending or First Class) or Schoolmistresses may send half-ounce letters to the United Kingdom vin Marseilles by French Packet, or via Southampton British Packet, for one vpenny; or via Brindish by British Packet for three-pence. Rongkong stamps will propay this class of correspondence exactly the same as Imperial

Spidiers' and Sailors' letters are, however charuel as ordinary letters if they do not conform to the following regulations:---1. Not to exceed half an ounce. N

double letters are allowed. 2. If from a Soldier or Sailor, his class or description must be stated in full on the letter, and the commanding Office must sign his name, with name of Regi-

ment, or Ship, &c., in full. 8. If to a Soldier or Sailor, his class or description must be stated in full. with name of Regiment, or thip, dry in full.

* But not Warrant Officers, viz., Assistan Engineer, Gunner, Boatswaip, or Carpenter.

Communication with Batavia. The Netherlands India, Packets leave Singapore fortnightly, and are fitted to the arrival of the outward P. & O. Mail from

The French Packts for Batavia wait at Singapore for the Packet from China and run fortnightly.

It follows that, to forward Correspond dence to Batavia with the least delay, the following are the best opportunities :-In the S.W. Monsoon.

The English Mail. The French Mail. In the N.E. Monsoon. A Private Steamer a lew days before the English Mail. The French Mail.

The Post Office is not, by law, responsible for any loss or inconvenience which may arise from the non-delivery, mis-sending, or mis-delivery of any letter, book, or other postal packet (even if the packet be registered); nor is the Post Office responsible for any injury which a packet may sustain during its transmission.

To guard against canch injury all postal packets which are likely to suffer from stamping or from great pressure should be laced in strong covers; and even with this precaution no fragile article should be sent through the Post. It should be remembered that every packet has to be handled several times; that it is exposed to considerable pressure and friction in the mail bag : and that, whenever the bag has in the course of its transmission to be transferred by means of the railway apparatus, the risk of injury is much increased.

No information can be given respecting letters which pass through a Post Office except to the persons to whom they are addressed; and in no other way is official information of a private character allowed to be made public. A Postmaster may, however, give an address if he has no reaso to believe that the person whose address it is would disapprove of his doing so.

Postmasters are not allowed to return any atter or other packet to the writer or sender. or to any one else, or to delay forwarding it to its destination according to the address even though a request to such effect be written thereon,

Postmasters are not bound to give change, nor are they authorised to demand change and when money is paid at a Post Office. whether as change or otherwise, no question as to its right amount, goodness, or weight can be entertained after it has been removed from the counter.

Postmasters are not bound to weigh any letters or other packets for the public, but they may do so if their duty be not thereby

The practice of sealing letters passing to Offices close some hours before the deparand from the East and West Indies, and tures of the mails. other countries with hot climates, with war (except such as is specially prepared), is clude say fraction of a penny. Orders will attended with much inconvenience, and be drawn at the current rate of the dayt frequently with serious injury, not only to and paid at the rate of the day when the the letters so sealed but to the other letters advice arrived. in the mail, from the melting of the wax and adhesion of the letters to each other. The public are therefore recommended, in all such cases, to use either wafers or gum, and to advise their correspondents in the countries referred to, to do the same.

The registration of a packet makes its transmission much more secure, inammuch as, under ordinary circumstances, a regis United Kingdom may be consulted at tered packet can be traced through its whole Hongkong, Shanghai, and Yokohama. -course; and thus the loss of a registered 6 .- Names must be given in full (expect packet is a very rare occurrence. Neverthe when there is more than one Christian less large sums of money or other articles name) but the name of the Payee need not of great value should not be sent through be given if the order be crossed (as cheques the post, even if the packet be registered; as are crossed). It can then be paid only the machinery of the Department is not through a Bank, and may afterwards be arranged with a view to such transmission. specially crossed to any Bank. By law, the Post Office is not responsible 7 .- No order can be paid till the Payce for the safe delivery of registered packets; have signed it in the proper place. An though any officer who may neglect his order can be transferred to another office duty on this point will be called to strict on payment of an additional commission. account. Sent in terregistered letters, valu. In case of loss of an order, necessity for able articles are exposed to risk, and offer a stopping payment, or the like, application temptation which ought not to be created; should be made to the nearest Money and the Department cannot in any way Order Office for instructions. underbake the safe conveyance of such 8 .- If the order be not presented within packets. All inland or colonial letters, six months an additional commission will therefore; which bontsin doin, and all be charged; if not within twelve months, inland letters which contain watches or the money will be forfeited. When the lewellery, even though they be posted order is once paid no further claim can be without registration, are treated as register entertained. ed, and charged on delivery with a double 9 .- No order can be paid until the advice registration fee of sightpence in addition to relative to it has been received. the ordinary postage; and any such letters which cannot be registered in time to be " Made out on a printed form which is supplied forwarded by the Mail for which they are gratic.
posted are detained for the next despatch. + Orders on Shanghai are drawn at 2 per cent. Even if the lefter do not pentain any article

Complaints are sometimes received of Lof intrinsic value, it should, if it be very important, be registered.

Most countries to which Hongkong forwards Correspondence having joined the General Postal Union or being probably about to do so, it is necessary that the following rules be strictly observed. 1. No Letter or Packet, whether to be

registered or unregistered; can be received for Postage if it contains gold or silver money, jewels, precious articles, or anything that, as a general rule, is liable to Customs 2. This Regulation prohibits the sending

of Patterns of dutiable articles, unless the quantity sent be so small as to make the sample of no value. 3. The limits of weight allowed are as

collows :--Books and Papers-to British Offices, 6 lbs.; to the Continent, &c., 2 lbs. Patterns-to British Offices, 5lbs. if without intrinsic value; to the Continent,

4. The following articles cannot be sent by Post at all Glass, Liquids, Gunpowder, Matches, Candles, Soap, Indigo, Dye-stuffs, or whatever is dangerous to the Mails, or offensive or injurious to persons dealing

Parcets. The public is reminded that. n China and Japan, there is no such thing as Parcel Post. Much trouble and disappointment is caused by persistent attempts to send small valuable trifles through the Fans, Curios, Articles of Dress. Fancy Work, and similar presents are continually being refused, the senders having often spent more in Postage than would have paid the freight by steamer. refund can be made on such parcels of the | Hamilton, Chas, 1 value of Stamps obliterated before the Harvey, Alex. nature of the contents was discovered.

PATTERNS .- Some difficulty is experienced in obtaining a general undentanding of what is a Pattern. It is a bond fide sample of goods which the sender has for sale, or of goods which he wishes to order. It is to consist of the smallest possible quantity compatible with shewing what the goods are, and must have no intrinsic value.

To provide means of remitting small sums of money to or from this Colony and between the Ports of China and Japan, the Postmasters and Agents of this Office will in future be allowed (but not required) to purchase Hongkong Postage Stamps from foreign residents.

Between Hongkong and Shanghal, Hongkong and Yokohama, however. either direction, Money Orden must be

The Stamps tendered for sale must not exceed \$25 in value, must be perfectly clean, in good condition, and in strips of at least two, as no separate Stamps will be purchased. They must be presented personally or accompanied by a note. . The Postmaster or Agent may postpone

purchasing if his public funds in hand-are not sufficient, and he will refuse to purchase in any case which appears doubtful or suspicious. He is allowed to charge a Commission of one per cent on all Stamps

Letters containing Stamps should be Registered, and the Stamps should be secured from observation.

During the N.E. Monsoon, the Charterers and Agents of sailing ships for Manila. Saigon, Bangkok and Singapore are requested to give notice to this Office of the departures. No correspondence will be forwarded by

sailing vessel but such as is specially so City of Halifax Correspondence for New Zealand may be forwarded via Torres Straits when specially directed for that route, otherwise it will be sent by way of Galle.

Money Order Regulations.

1.—Money Orders on the United Kingdom are issued at Hongkong, Shanghai and Yokohama Shanghal and Yokohama also issue on Hongkong and vice versa. 2.—Small sums may be remitted between the other Ports by means of Postage Florence

Stamps. 3. - Many Money Orders are supplied to residents at the smaller Ports in this way. An application for an order* is filled up, and is enclosed with a stamped, directed, and unsealed envelope to the Postmaster at Globe the nearest issuing office. The application Hannah Law must be accompanied with the full amount Ida F. Taylor (including commission) in cheque, postage stamps, or other equivalent of cash, and a Ingu little margin should be left for variations of exchange. The Postmaster issues the order, sends it on in the envelope, and returns the change, if any, by first opportunity, with a receipt for the letter, if it were to be registered, as it always should be. Care should be taken to send these applications in time, as the Money Order

4.—No order must exceed £10, or in-

The commission is as follows:-Orders on the United Kingdom. Up to £2...... 18 cents. £5......36 " £7-..... 64 p £10......72 n

Local Money Orders.

8.—Lists of Money Order Offices in the

ptemium in all cases.

POST OFFICE NOTICE.

Unclaimed Correspondence,

Sept. 14, 1877. Leis, Pape, 1 regd. Markham, C. W. 1 regd. Ab Tong Mazzoldi, G. Middleton, J. T. 1 Barros, J. M. Bonnett, G. H. Mollor, Jack Boadevich, T. 1 Fred. Brown, Sir J. 12 Munck, Henry Campbell Burdis, Geo. S. 1 Newcombe, Ed. 1 Novak, Francisco 1 Campbell, W. J. 12 O'Meagher, W.H. 1 Oulie, Monsr. 1 Ohluffoo, Singh 1 regd. Chong Hian Parker, Chas. E. 1 Conison, A. C. M. I Pellegrini, A. 7 Pereira, Jose G. 1 Davis, Frank Phillipps, Henry 1 Delgado, Thos. . 3 Powell, Lieut. Determes. T. R. (R.N.) Donglas, Miss C. 1 Duncan, C. Riccardi, P. Riddell, John Elizaide, A. de 1 (Engineer) Estoves, Jose Robertson, Wm. 1 Rodrigues, Joaquim' Feraud, Monsr. 2 Leocadia Foong Wan Kye 1 regd. Forrest, John Seton, Capt. H.] -(Engineer) C., R.A. Frames, John Shang Tung, rattan maker 1 regd. Shepherd, Capt. 2 Shepperd, Capt. 2 Glenchim, M. Shewan, George 1 Gillis, Jas. A. 1 Shields, Andrew 1 Gorage, Thomas 1 Simpson, H. R. 1 Sing Asy Smith, Andrew Smith, Mrs Harriet Snowdeal, Wm. Hest, George Spanish Mail Line of Stea-Holland, C. S. Agent of Hellends, H. J. Steel, A. E. Storror, Moner. Howe, W. A. Bengal C. S. St. John, Miss G.1 regd. Inkpen, Wm. Jenkins. J. Taylor, J. S. Thomson, Robt. 1 Voughan, J. Wai Ashaw Lee Yuen, F. Warden, R. Webber, O. Willard, Pem. Lilley, T. S. Wilson, Mr.

For Merchant Ships. Lets. Paps.

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Wolkolds, W.

Woodward, R.

Mamintonia, Mr 1

Angle Saxon

Australia, s.s. Martha Jackson J Barbara Taylor read Mary Blair Mary Whitridge 4 Brown Brothers May Melbrek Carrizal Nadville Chambrun Prince Ningara Northern Star Challenge Onward Charlton, s.s. Palestina Pamaca City of Berlin Panama Pearl, s.s. 1 Penelope, s.s. Crosted Wave Penshaw Robt. Henderson J C. W. Cochrane 6 Roving Sailor Darmonth Sapphire 3 Sarah Nicholson 1 2 Denbighshire Edward Albroth Scindia Scirur, s.s. Elizabeth Dougall 2 Seaman's Bride Sophia Springfield Emily Chaplin Empress Staghound E. M. Young Star of Jamaica 2 Fileshire Star of the North I Flintshire, s.s. Strathmora Forward Sunbeam Sunrise Syringa Taitsing Tasso Tensnew Unanima Wailow Walls Castle Western Chief 3 Willia I regd Wm. Turner

> For H. M. Ships. Lets. Pap. Letz. Paps. Magpie

2 Wood Hall

1 Woodlark

2 Woodville

Victor Emanuel 2 Books, etc. without Covers

'Alabaster & Co.'s Price List.

Advocate

Amsterdamsche Courant. Ayrabire Weekly News. Baiss Brothers & Co., p.c. Catalogues of Tea. Central Blatt. Christian, Court Journal. Grefelder Zeitung Das Buchküralie, Der Freischtitz. Die Helmat. Die Modenwell. Dr. Theodor Schnichardt Chemische Fa. brik. Eguyeterites, Engineer. Field, 81st March. Harburger Unzeigen und Nachrichten. Harland and Sons Varish List. Highlander. Hochenschrift. Iron Trade Circular. James Allan Tubes Tel. Code. Journal of Chemical Society. La Gazette. Lancet, The L'Echo.

Missionary Record. Mitrailleuse Suedoise. Monatsschrift für den Orient. Navy List. Pall Mall Budget. Rotterdamsche Courant. Sample of Brown Powder. Schmidt Jahrbücher. Schwäbische Kronik. The Rast Goffar &c. (Parses Paper.) The South Pacific Times. Times.

Weekly Dispatch. Weekly Scotsman,

Weser Zeitung.

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Chinese Constable 279 proved the arrest of the prisoper. He received information that a man who had stolen \$1,900 was in a certain house, so he arrested him. The prisoner then said that he had paid back \$1,600, and asked that he might be re-He said it was his partner who had taken the money, and if he was not let go, his partner would not come back; but If he were let go, his partner would return arrayed in the tattered remnants of my in a week.

Capt. C. V. Creagh, Act. Capt. Supt. of Police, said that he had information of the robbery and of the prisoner's absconding to his native village in Fohkien. He communicated with H. B. M. Consul at Amoy, requesting the recovery of the money and the arrest of the prisoner and his companion through the Chinese authorities. A deal of correspondence ensued and a smaller sum was at first offered by the village authorities, but ultimately the Consul informed witness that the whole money was paid, but that he had been to the expense of \$300 in the recovery of the money. A cheque for \$1,600 was forwarded and the before. And if ever you get into a tight money was handed over to Capt. Clanchy, place, you come to me.' Witness did not know that the prisoner and his companion had been punished by the Chinese authorities.

that the parcel was given to his partner and lay around him, but he wrote on namoved. session. not to him. His partner having gone away so long he suspected something and went back to his native village in Fokien and remained there some time, when one day some Chinese soldiers came and burneddown his house. He then ran away to Hoifoong (in | tastes. Kwangtung). After remaining there some time he came back to Hongkong, about could not say for certain that his partner imagined so. The prisoner was then committed for trial.

Leonildi Cordeiro, a Portuguese female, was summoned by Theodosia Rodrigues, another Portugue e female, for using threats tion at the Magistracy, complaining of threats of personal violence having been drives a cab now, which suits him better, used to her by the defendant. The Sitting because he was always gentlemenly in his Magistrate granted a summons, and the ways. case came on for hearing to-day. The complainant stated that she went to the Roman in some respects, but he wanted judgment. Catholic Church last Sunday, when she observed the defendant looking hard at her der, which comes of his own orelessness. several times during service; and from this | We can't take him on again anymore, even circumstance she concluded that the de- if he was our style, which he never was. fendant meant to do her mischief. She attended Church with her sister and was leaving with her also, but being apprehensive of violence from the defendant in consequence of those looks she cast towards her, she asked a gentleman in the street to escort her home. The defendant then came up and said "If you marry that man I will tear you to pieces." She was to of thing. marry the gentleman on 29th inst,-The defendant said last Sunday she was coming | the dull season just now, but we are lively away from service, when she saw the com- enough when the fall elections come on. pany. The complainant then laughed at You won't find yourself rusting. And if But it was too late now. her, and she said to the complainant that she ought to be ashamed of herself to marry by judicious writing. I'm powerful glad the man who had been living with her (the complainant). She added that if the complainant laughed at her, she should take care, and she hoped this would be the first and last time she would laugh at her. Magistrate ordered the defendant to give security in \$20 to be of good behaviour for one month.

GILEAD P. BECK ON JOURNALISM (From "The Golden Butterfly.")

"Just then there was a knock at the door of the editor's room. "That's Poulter, our local Editor, Van Cott said. 'Come in, Poulter. He

will take you down for me.' "The door opened, but it wasn't Poulter. I knew that by instinct. It was a rough looking customer with a black-dyed moustache, a diamond pin in his shirt front, and a great gold chain across his vest; and

he carried a heavy stick in his hand, ... Which is the one of you two that runs this machine? he saked, looking from one

to the other. " I am the Editor,' said Mr Van Cott, if you mean that.

Then you air the Rooster I'm after, he went on. I am John Halkett of Tenth Ward. I want to know what in thunder me and my party in your miserable onehoss paper.

He drew a copy of the paper from his pocket, and held it before the Editor's eyes. You know your remedy, sir, said Mr Van Cott, quietly edging in the direction of the table, where there was a drawer. ... That's what I do know. That's what I'm here for. There's two remedies. One

is that you retract all the lies you have printed; the other-... You need not tell me what the other is, Mr. Halkett.' As he spoke he drew open the drawer; but he hadn't time to take the pistol from it when the ward politician

sprang upon him, and in a flash of lightning they were rolling over each other among the exchanges on the floor. "If they had been evenly matched, I should have stood around to see fair. But

it wasn't equal, Van Cott, you could see at first suap, was grit all through, and as full of fight as a game-rooster. But it was bulldog and terrier. So I hitched on to the stranger, and pulled him off by main

" You will allow me, Mr Van Cott," said, to take this contract off your hands. Choose a back seat, sir, and see fair.

" Sail in, cried Mr Halkett, as obcorful as a coot, and send for the coroner, because he'll be wanted. I don't care which

"That was the toughest job I ever had. The strength of ward politicians' opinions lies in their powers of bruising, and John Halkett, as I learned afterwards, could tight his weight in wild cats. Fortunately

I was no slouch in those days. "He met my advances halfway. In ten minutes you couldn't tell Halkett from me, nor me from Halkett. The furniture moved around cheerfully, and there was a lovely racket. The sub-editors, printers, and reporters came running in, It was a new scene for them, poor fellows, and they onloyed it ascordingly. The Editor they had polatments.

strike him at the moment, but after he had | often watched in a fight before, but here | handed the parcel to the prisoner, he were two strangers worrying each other on

gave novelty. "The sharpest of the reporters had his flimsy up in a minute, and took notes of the proceedings.

"We fought that worry through. lasted fifteen minutes. We fought out of the office; we fought down the state; and we fought on the pavement.

"When it was over, I found myself gray coat, and nothing else. John Halkett hadn't so much as that. He was bruised and bleeding, and he was deeply moved. Tears stood in his eyes as he grasped me by the hand.

"Stranger,' he said, 'will you tell me where you hail from? "Air you satisfied, Mr Halkett,"

replied, with the editorial management of this newspaper?

is the very best edited paper that ever ran. starch out of John Halkett in a way that the time came for him to pass in his no starch ever was took out of that man | checks.

home for repairs. I went back to the the premises, and having found that the Editor's room. He was going on sgain with books and plant were pretty well what the his usual occupation of manuscturing advertisement pretended, I closed the case would be committed for trial, stated squelchers. The fragments of the chairs bargain at once, and entered into pos-

"Consider yourself permanently engaged, he said. 'The firm will pay for a to the Yuen Fat Hong to make enquiries. new suit of clothes. Why couldn't you say He was told that his partner had never at once that you were fond or named by hydraulic been there, he then felt certain that he had never saw a visitor tackled in a more lovable nuts and flipflaps, up at the tavern. But generally understood that I do the municipal other symbols. run away with the money. As he feared style, Why, you must have been brought you'll soon get to know all the leading fighting myself.' the Captain might do him (the prisoner) up to it. And just to think that one might people. They're a two-cent lot, the best of some injury, he ran away also. He went never have discovered your plats if it hadn't been for the fortunate moident of Scrimmy for short) never cottoned to them. John Halkett's call

used to do our fighting-a whole team he boots up, would have corned to do.' The Chinese soldlers was at it—was killed three months ago on made a levy on the village, compelling the this very floor; there's the mark of his inhabitants to pay up the \$1,900. He fluid still on the wall. We gave Blevins a first-class funeral, and ordered a two-hunwould be back here in a week; he only dred-dollar monument to commemorate mean. his virtues. We were not ungrateful to

making corrections with a penul stump. life. He was quite the wrong sort of stuff But he was licked like a cur three times for that. Scrimmy was killed. in a fortnight. People used to step in on purpose to wallop Birkett, it was such an The complainant laid an informa- easy amusement. The paper was falling into disgrace, so we shunted him.

> Carter, who followed, was very good He's in hospital with a bullet in the shoul-" And who does the work now? I

yentured to ask. " We have had no regular man since Carter was carried off on a shutter. Each one does a little, just as it happens to turn But I don't like the irregular system.

it's quite unprofessional.

" Depends on the time of year. It is small graveyard of his own; and his special say. plainant pass her with a man in her com- We sometimes have a couple a day then, altogether the place for peace and rest. you want work, we can stir upa few editors we made your acquaintance, Mr Beck.' "That, Mr Dunquerque, is how I became

connected with the press."

"And did you like the position?" "If had its good points. It was a situation of great responsibility. People were continually turning up who disliked our method of depicting character, and so the credit of the paper mainly rested on my shoulders. No sir ; I got tolke it, except when I had to go into hospital for repairs. And even that had its charms, for I went there so often that it became sort of home, and the surgeons and nurses were like brothers and sisters."

"But you gave up the post" said Jack. "Well, sir, I did. The occupation, after wasn't healthy, and was a little too lively. The staff took a pride in me too. and delighted to promote feedom of discussion. If things grew dull for a week to two, they would scarly some ward ruffian just to bring on a fight. They would hang around there to see that ward ruffin approach the office, and they would struggle who should be the man to point me out as the gentleman he wished to interview. They were fond of me to such an extent that they could not bear to see a week pass without a fight. And I will say this of them, that they were as level a you mean by printing infernal lies about lot of boys as ever destroyed a man's she replied. The Roarer has had six

came to see Mr Van Cott, and they were shown up to me. What there is of me takes up a good dead of the room. And when they'd put their case I used to open the door and point. Git, I would say. You bet, was the general mply ; and they would go away quite satused with the Editorial reception. But once a week or so there would be a put-up thing, and I knew by the look of my mer which would

take their persussion fighting. if I remained much longer there would be Huggins or some other citizen to dolt for a first-class funeral, with metaking a prominent part in the procesh; and I began to

"One morning I read an advertisement of a paper to be sold. It was in the city of Clearville, Illinois, and it seemed to suit, I resolved to go and look at it, and apprised Mr Van Cott of my intention.

course we can't keep you if you will go ever since you came, and I had hoped to have had your valuable ervices till the

"I attempted to thank im, but he held

up his hand, and went on thoughtfully. " There's room in our plat at Rose Hill Cemetery for one or two more; and I had made up my mind to let you have one side of the monument all to yourself. The sunny alde, too-quite thepleest nest in the plat. And we'd have given you eight lines of poetry-Blevins only golfour, and none of the other fellows any, I assure you, Beck, though you may not think it, I have

often turned this over in my mind when

you have been in hospital, and I got to look

on it as a settled thing. And now this is

how it ends. Life is mile up of dissp-

such an interest in my funeral, but that I thought of it, and this led him to go to the the floor, with Mr Van Cott out of the had no yearning at present for Rose Hill self, dodging around cheering us on That Cemetery, and I thought it would be a pity to disturb Blevins. As I had never known

their little circle. that they wouldn't mind it for the sake of be abused, too, because it gave them universal peace. Within the enclosure is League and those of Freemasons, and no the paper; but I had my prejudices, and I prominence and importance. But my pure | the Hall of Fidelity and Loyalty, where the | doubt a certain similarity can be traced

"I don't know whether you visited out, didn't suit me either. lively place to go to, but still-

of a Mrs. Sprimmager, widow of the lately defunct editor. She was a fresh buxom duty. wldow of thirty-five, with a flow of language "I am, he answered. You bet. This that would drown a town-councilor a vestry. councillors. I inferred from this that the late Mr Scrim-Good morning, sir. You have look the mager was not probably very sorry when

"She occupied the upper flats of a large square building, in the lower part of which "They put him in a cab, and sont him were the offices of the paper. I inspected

"The first evening I took tea with Mrs. Scrimmager.

them. Scrimmy (we always called him He used to say they were too low and "I said I was too modest to mention my common, mean enough to shoot a man without giving him a chance—a thing which "Most fortunate it is. Blevins, who Scrimmy, who was honourable from his

"I saked if it was long since her husband had taken his departure. He started, she said, for kingdom come two months ago, if that's what you

" Long ill?" " Ill?" she replied, as if surprised at the "Birkett came next," he went on, question. 'Scrimmy never was ill in his

> " Was he !' I asked. 'Railway accident, "Mrs. Scrimmager looked at me resentfully, as if she thought I really ought to have known better. Then she curved her

upper lip in disdain.

Railway accident! Not much. Sorim. my was shot. Terrible!' I speculated, with a nervous sensation, because I guessed what was

Well, it was rough on him, she said. Scrimmy and Huggins of the Scalper-do you know Huggins ! Well, you'll meet him soon enough for your health. They hadn't been friends for a long while, and each man was waiting to draw a bead on the other. How they did go for one auother! As an ink-slinger, Huggins wasn't s patch on my husband; but Huggins was "I asked if there was much of that sort a trifle handler with his irons. In fact,

weakness is editors of your paper. "I began to think that Clearville was not

"Finally, Scrimmy wrote something that riled Huggins awful. So he sent him a civil note, saying that he'd bore a hole in him first chance. I've got the note in my desk there. That was gentlemanlike, so far; but he spoiled it all by the mean sneaking way be carried it through. Ecrimmy, who was wonderful careless and never would take my advice, was writing in his office when Huggins crept in quiet, and dropped a bullet through his neck before he had time to turn. Scrimmy knew it was all up; but he was game to the last, and finished his article, giving the Scalper thunder. When he'd done it he came upstairs and died."

" And Mr. Hoggins? "They tried him; but, Lord, the jury were all his friends, and they brought it in justifiable homicide. After the funeral Auggins behaved handsome; he put the Scalper into deep mourning, and wrote a beautiful send-off notice, saying what a loss the community had suffered in Scrimmy's untimely end. I've got the article in my desk, and I'll show it to you : but somehow I never could bring myself to be friends with Huggins after It.'.

" Mr Scrimmager was perhaps not the only editor who has fallen a victim in Clearville.

"The only one? Not by a long chalk, editors in five years; they've all been shot "Most of the business was easy. They except one, and he died of consumption. His was a very sad case. A deputation of leading citizens called to interview him one evening; he took refuge on the roof of the office, and they kept him there all night in a storm. He died in two months after it. But he was a poor nervous critter, quite unfit for his position.'

" And this, I thought, this is the place have chosen for a quiet life." "I debated that night with myself whether it would be better to blow the roof off "It gradually became clear to me that my head at once, instead of waiting for me. But I resolved on waiting a little.

"Next day I examined the files of the think of digging out while I still had my Roarer, and found that it had been edited gunpowder in every article, fire and brimstone in every paragraph. No wonder, I thought, that the men who wrote those things were chopped up into sausage meat. I read more, and it seemed as if they might I'm powerful sorry, he said; but of as well have set themselves up as targets at once. I determined on changing the tone You've heed your row like a square man of the paper; I would no longer call people midnight assessins and highway robbers, nor would I hint that political opponents were all related to suspended criminals. would make the Roarer something pure, noble, and good ; I would take Washington Irving for my model; it should be my mission to elevate the people:

" Wal, sir, I began, I wrote for my first number articles at elevating as Kentucky whishy. Every sentence was richly turned; every paragraph was as gentle as if from the pen of Goldsmith. There was a mutiny among the compositors; they were unaconstomed to such language, and it made them feel small. One man, get drunk. And the two apprentices Hung Lesgue," and it is from this and other down his tumbrelle, agranges his shoes, lought over the meaning of a southers in works that the following pertioniess are bolds his has, the his headkershief, takes a

It would have been better for me, a are pierced at the four cardinal points by as | word of mouth are equally numerous, and eripple for life.

you think of it, Mr Dunquerque, people combination which is intended to imply

Dunquerque; but if you did, perhaps you after the issue of my first number. He the altar and the sacred tablets, before importance. The number of its members went to Clearville. It is in that part of the came to say that, as the chief executive which the brethren worship, and from the and the discipline which is maintained in State which goes by the name of Egypt, officer of the town, he would not be respon- centre rises the "precious nine-storied its ranks render it a formidable political and is so named on account of the benight- sible for the public peace if I persevered in pagoda," in which the images of the five | weapon, but fortunately for the peace of the ed condition of the natives. It wasn't a that inflammatory style. I told him I wouldn't change it for him or anybody else. "The Clearville Roarer was the property Then he said it would cause a riot, and he

"Next came the Mayor with two town-" What, in thunder, do you think you mean, young man, his honour began, pointing to my last editorial, by bringing

everlasting diagrace on our town with such mush as that ? "He called it mush. "I saked him what was wrong in it. " Wrong? It is all wrong. Of all the

mean and miserable twaddle-

"He called it miserable twaddle. " Hold on, Mr Mayor,' I said must discuss this article in a different way. the heavy business?

for you, she said, as we sat over her dough. he replied; but in ordinary cases it's jade foot-measure, a balance, an abaque, an bette towers, and are worked by hydraulic

" We'll consider this an ordinary case, quiet through the door.

manner as possible. Towards evening I of their rank, wear flowers in their hair.

but I rose as he came in. " Don't stir,' he said pleasantly. My kill you to-day.

"I said I was much obliged to him. " 'I see you've been receiving visitors,' he went on, looking at the fragments of the chairs. " Ours, Mr Book, is an active and a responsible profession. "I said I thought it was.

Huggins has shot enough men to make a unprofessional. Give a man a fair show, I

.. Very good, Mr Huggins. the weakness to speak of me as the gentle- to the Hall of Fidelity and Loyalty. Here manly editor of the Scalper.'

offensive-

But as this is our first interview, I must As a preliminary to the administration of not let my dander rise.'

bringing it down again." No, no, he answered, smiling; 'it take the oath, and to cut off the heads o would be unprofessional. Still, I must say | those who refuse to do so. As the vanguard that your sneaking, snivelling city way of is supposed not to bear the sword in vain, speaking will not go down, and I have few decline to take the oath, and the looked in to tell you that it must not be ceremony of affiliation is proceeded with by repeated.

"It shall not be repeated, Mr Huggins. shall nover again make the mistake of calling you a gentleman. his hand to his breastpocket.

"What do you mean by that?"

could draw his platol.

accident and hurt some one badly." tract, for he was as supple as an sel and as and earth by pledging three cups of wine. wicked as a cat. But I got the best holt This done, the seven-starred lamp, the

tossed him through the window. do any more business to-day.

Boarer on the same refined and gentlemanly But all to no purpose. Neither fighting member drawing some blood from hi nor writing could reform those Egyptians.

the railway-station the Mayor delivered a Hung coins. With these emblems of their short address. He said, with tears, that obligations the new members return to the interests of party were above those of individuals, and that a change of residence was necessary for me. Then he put into my hands a purse with two hundred dollars. and we parted with every expression of

mutual esteem. "That is how I came out of the land of Egypt, Mr Dunquerque; and that is the whole history of my connection with the

SECRET SOCIETIES IN CHINA. A short time since M. Schlegel, Chinese interpreter to the Government of Nether. some documents relating to the formation and the organization of the Hung League. These he translated and published in a

"I said it was very good of him to take | the backyard. One of those boys is now a | gathered. The Hung lodges are built in a | cup of tea, uses his chopsticks, and performs square, and are surrounded by walls which a number of other actions. The signals by thousand times better, if I had stuck to the many gates. The faces of the walls are it is almost impossible to imagine any conold lines of writing. The people were adorned by the mysterious symbol of dition of time or place of meeting for which accustomed to that. They looked for it, "union," the triangle, and with the old there are not appropriate questions and pleased if a total stranger were sent to join and they didn't want any elevating. If symbol "a State," a hollow square—a answers. "Mr Van Cott was good enough to say never do. The Clearville roughs liked to that the League is a united State enjoying likeness between some of the rites of the style didn't suit them, and, as it turned oaths of membership are taken, and in between the formularies of the two associawhich is kept the genealogical table of the tions, but the principal interest which "The City Marshal was the earliest visitor founders of the League. Here, also, stand straches to the League lies in its political lodges appear in their legitimate splendour | want of that enthusiasm which makes only in out-of-the-way districts where they | rebellion successful. At any time the washed his bands of it, and he'd done his are safe from the observation of the man- Hung League might turn the day by threwdarins; but in towns and populous neigh- ing in its weight on the side of one of two bourhoods the lodge is dispensed with equally-matched combatants, but it is as an altogether, and the meetings are held at instrument and not as a principal that its the house of the president. The instru- action will be felt. - Pall Mall Gasette. ments of the lodge are numerous. First in importance is the diploma, consisting of a large square seal, having two square margins while the inner margins are octagonal. In the outer rim are the names of the eight. genil, and the rest of the seal is covered with symbolical stanzas and signs. The official flags are numerous and emblematize the warlike character of the League; and in each lodge is a "bushel," which contain among other articles the "red staff," with Which member of your august body does which justice is done to offenders against he heavy business? the laws of the society, the scissors with guns, two of the former, one at the bow and when it's serious, which the hair of the neophytes is cut off, a one at the stern; they are placed in barthe laws of the society, the scissors with

> The supreme government of the League | broadside, and fire nearly shead. The four Mr Mayor,' I said; and I went for that is vested in the Grand Masters of the five 18-ton guns are placed two on either broadchief magistrate. He presently passed principal lodges in the provinces of Fun-side; arrangements are made for firing the through the window-the fight had no keen, Kwang-tung, Yun-nan, Hoo-nan, and "Whitehead" torpedo on either side of the details of interest-and then the town. Che-keang; and the affairs of each lodge ship. The ship is also supplied with outrigcouncillors shook hands with me, congratu- are administered by a president, two vice- ger torpedoes, which will be used from ateam lated me on my editorial, and walked out presidents, one master, two introducers, pinnaces. Gatling guns are provided, and one fiscal, thirteen counciliors, several can be used in action from the tops if "Nearly a dozen Egyptians dropped in agents, who are otherwise known as "grass necessary, or from boats, and they can also during the afternoon to remonstrate. I shoes," "iron planks," or "night brethren," be used as field service guns. The thickness disposed of them in as gentlemanlike a and some minor officials, who, as indicative of her armour plating is eleven inches, and

was growing a little tired, and thinking of In peaceful times the ranks of the society powerful spur (or ram). The trials of her shutting up for the day, when my foreman, are recruited by volunteers, but when the engines have been most satisfactory, and at whom the day's proceedings had made League is preparing to take the field throats the trial trip, with all her weights on board, young again—such is the effect of joy— and violence are often used to secure mem- she attained a speed of nearly fifteen knots. Informed me that Mr Huggins of the bers. At such crises a man returning home an hour. Her complement is 530 officers. Scalper was coming down the street. A finds a slip of paper hearing the seal of the and men. Part only of these joined on moment later Mr Huggins entered. He League awaiting him, which calls upon him Aug. 1, and will be quartered on board was a medium-sized man, with sharp, at a given hour to betake himself to a cer- the Forte, wooden frigate, for about ten piercing eyes and a well-bronzed face, active | tain spot, and warns him that the murder days, while the finishing work is being as a terrier and tough as a hickory-knot. of himself and his family will be the penalty done to the Teméraire; the remainder of I was sitting in the wreck of the office-desk, of disobedience to the command. Some- the crew will join about Aug. 16. The times it is said, also, that one of the bro- Temeraire, although brig-rigged, is very therhood insults a stranger on the road, heavily rigged; her mainyard is no less name is Huggins; but I am not going to and, pretending to fly from the just con- than 118 feet long, and weighs nearly ten sequences of his act, leads the unsuspecting tons. This ship is a splendid addition to wayfarer to some lonely spot where he is our fleet. She will probably leave England, seized upon by a number of brothers and is calling at Portsmouth and Plymouth, about carried away to the place where the lodge the first week in September. is held. On the appointed evening the recruits present themselves at the "City of Willows," as the lodges are called, where case of poisoning at sea by unwholesome "These people have been pressing their they are met by the "vanguard," who food is reported. From the statement of a arguments home with unseemly haste, he carefully enters their names and places of said. 'It is unkind to treat a stranger residence in a book kept for the purpose. thus. Now as for me, I wouldn't draw on The vanguard then gives orders to form the the barque Crown Prince, of St. John's,

you for your first article, not to-be made "bridge of swords," whereupon the bre- New Brunswick, was on a voyage in Novem-Governor of Illinois. It would be most thren place themselves in a double row, ber last from the Peruvian coast to Faland drawing their swords cross them in the mouth, the food supplied to the crew was air in the form of a bridge or arch. Under this arch the new members are led, and at whole of the forecastle hands, fourteen in " At the same time, Mr Beck, I do think | the same time are mulcted of an entranceyou've laid yourself open. You are reck- fee of twenty-one cash. After this they are The vessel left Peru on Oct. 4 last, and less, not to say insulting. Take my case. taken to the Hung-gate, where stand two all went well till Nov. 19, when a new You never saw me before, and you've had generals, who introduce the "new horses" cask of pork was opened. On the following the neophytes are instructed in the objects "I'm sure, Mr Huggins, if the term is of the society; and, finally, they are conducted into the presence of the assembled " Offensive? Of course it is offensive. | council in the "Lodge of Universal Peace." the oaths, the master examines the vanguard Let it rise by all means, and stay as in the 333 questions of the catechism of the high as it likes. We may find a way of society, and then orders him to bring forward those neophytes who are willing to cutting off the queues of the recruit (though this operation is dispensed with if the members are living amongst Chinese who are faithful to the Tartar rule), by "He started up like a flash, and moved | washing their faces, and exchanging their clothes for long white dresses, as tokens of purity and the commencement of a new "I was just in time, as I sprang upon life. Straw shoes, signs of mourning, are and seized him by both arms before he also put on their feet, to signify the death of their old nature; and thus attired they "I mean this," I said : 'you've waked are led up to the altar. Here some quesup the wrong passenger this time, Mr Hug- tions with reference to the immediate gios. You needn't wriggle. I've been objects of the League are put to the chucking people through that window all vanguard, and then each member offers up day, and you shall end the lot. But first I nine blades of grass and an incense stick, want that shooting iron; it might go off by while an appropriate stanza is repeated between each offering. A red candle is now "It was a long and mighty heavy con- lighted, and the brethren worship heaven at last, relieved him of his pistol, and precious Imperial lamp, and the Hung lamp are lighted, and prayer is made to the "Jim,' I said to the foreman, as I gods, beseeching them to look down upon stretched myself in a corner, panting and the members and to accept the incense bleeding, you can shut up. We shan't burned in their henour. The oath binding them to observe obedience to the League "I issued two more numbers of the and to display a spirit of fraternity, devotion, and righteousness towards the brethren, is principle, and I fought half the county, then read aloud, and is followed by each middle finger and letting it drop into "Huggins shot me through the arm one chalice partly filled with wine. Each evening as I was going home from the neophyte then, having drunk of the mixture office. I shall carry his mark to the grave. and repeated the appointed stanzas, strikes Three nights later I was waited on by about off the head of a white cock, as a sign that thirty leading citizens, headed by the so shall all unfaithful and disloyal brothers with great vigour and force; there was Mayor. They said they thought Clearville perish. And now the ceremony of affillawasn't agreeing with me, and they were tion is over, and it remains but for the come to remove me. I was removed on a president to give to each recruit a diploma, plank, escorted by a torchlight procesh of the book containing the oath, law, secret the local fire-brigade. On the platform of signs, do,, a pair of poniards, and three

their homes at break of day. The laws of the society bind the members to observe a cheap kind of morality, and to protect their brothron as far as in them lies, even to the extent of concealing such as are criminals from justice, and of rescuing any who may have fallen into the hands of the police. Naturally enough, the society protects itself by bolding out fearful threats to any who may be inclined. to reveal the secrets of the League of in suy way to endanger it. But apart from those plauses which refer to the main object of the League the destruction of the Taing lands-India at Batavia, became possessed of dynasty-the laws enjoin peace, and brotherly kindness, justice, and truth. The secret signs are numerous, and by means of them a brother may make himself known laid down his stick in despair and went and volume entitled "Thian ti Hwlu - The by the way in which he enters a house, puts

It has been said there exists a strong

THE "TEMERAIRE." One of the most powerful ironclads in the

world was commissioned at Chatham, on Aug. 1, by Capt. M. Culme Seymour. Her powers of offence and defence are very great, and no ship that has before been added to our magnificent fleet of ironclads has attained with such excellence arrangements for fighting and resisting an enemy. She carries eight heavy guns, four of which are 25-ton guns, and four are 18-ton she is fitted below water with a most

A CREW POISONED AT SEA .- A dreadful sailor named Inman, who arrived at South. ampton on July 80, it appears that while unfit for use, and that in consequence the number, became ill, and six of them died. day all the men who had eaten it were taken seriouslyill, with all the symptoms of poison-Their sufferings are described as fearful, and they were unable to work the ship, which was therefore hove to for a fortnight, at the end of which time three of the men went mad. The captain then made for the Falkland Islands, 200 miles distant, which he reached on Dec. 7, and where six of the men died, the rest being sent into hospital. The doctor stated that the men had been poisoned by putrid pork. The Crown Prince arrived with a fresh crew in the Clyde, and an investigation has been commenced by the authorities.

Quotations. HONGKONG, September 15, 1877. OPIUM.-New Patna, cash...\$5921 Old Patna, cash,... 590 New Benazes, cash, 580 Old Benares, cash, 570 New Malwa, cash, credit, 615 Taels, 8 a 32 Allowance Old Malwa, cash, oredit. 615 Tack, 8 a 32 Allowance QUICKBILVER, 70} a 71

Exchange. Bank, on demand, 8/10 30 days' sight, ... 3/102 6 months' sight, ... 3/11 Documentary, 6months aight, 8/111 Bombay, demand Rupees, ... 2206 Shanghal, demand, 724 Bar Silver, 17, dwts. B., Mexicans, ... Gold Lest, English Sovereigns, Australian Sovereigns, ... Discount,

Hongkong Bank, 48 % premi Union Ins. Sobiety of Canton, \$900 China Traders' Ins. Co., \$2,900 Ohlnese Insurance Co., \$253 Yangtere Ins. Association, Th. 785 North China Ing. Co., Tls. 860 H.K. Fire Ins. Co., \$6521 China Fire Inc. Co., \$167 H.K. & W. Dook Co., 28 dis. H. K. C. & M. S. bost Co., 16 dis. Shanghal Steam Navigation, Tls. 80 Hongkong Gas Co., 875 Hongkong Botel Co., \$60 Chinese Imperial Loan, £103

Temperatura. (Taken at Mesers Falsoner & Os, 's Francis. Queen's Road,) Hongkong, September 18, 1979 BAROURTER- 9 A.M.... 4 1/25 THERMOMETER-PAM.... 1 P.M. ... 4 P.M.... Do. (Wet bulb) 9 A.M. Do. 1 P.K. 4 P.M. Do. Do. Maximum

Do. Minimum over night 815

Portfolio.

TOO LATE. I did not know, till it was all too late. The wealth of love that I had spurn'd away. The deep and passionate love, now turn'd to hate By words I dare not, cannot now unsay.

That my crush'd heart could burn with love again, I was, alas ! too late, too late in learning, And now I feel, when it is all in vain, My heart to him is ever fondly turning.

I never dreamt that I could love him so Until I felt him lost to me for ever. Till I had said the word that he must go, Nor sack my love, for I could love him never

O cruel pride! that even then could keep My heart so calm; I would have given all The world, my very life, my all I to weep, And, weeping, those few fatal words recal.

Now I must wrap me round in robes of pride. That he my hopeless love may never know; Though from myself, alas ! I cannot hide My deep remorse, my love, my secret woe!

Pride can, and will, my outward mien sustain, Though inwardly my weary heart be breaking; I will not breathe aloud his name again, Though still I think of him, asleep or waking.

The memory of his love, though lost, will be A blessed thought, whatever may betide; My love is still a treasured grief to me, And I can find a refuge in my pride. -Mary Eliza Rogers.

various respects. They have in a modified | couraging club. way, an arrangement of parts, and a again, between solids, liquids, and gasses is have gone through, ain't it?" phenomena of electricity, magnetism, and Lemme have your name, won't you?" | had, the fact is the same. gravitation point to the existence of a yet aubtler fluid, the characteristics of which are still undiscovered. Since, therefore, the whole universe, as seen by the aid science, reveals a common plan, it is unreasonable to draw the line at a particular something distinctly different begins its sway. Is it not more philosophical to conclude that the world beyond the grasp of the physical senses resembles that within it, that the soul is like the body in construction and operation, and that it is affected by agencies similar to those by which the body is affected, than to suppose

THE BOOK CONVASSER.

everything of a spiritual nature to be so

completely discriminated from the rest of

creation that we can form no conception of

It 1-North American Review.

Mr Barker was not a more agreeable visitor than the book canvasser who, upon the same day, circulated about the village. He came into my office with a portfolio under his arm. Placing it upon the table, removing a ruined bat, and wiping his nose upon a ragged handkerchief that had been so long out of wash that it was positively gloomy, he said,

"Mister, I'm canvassing for the National Portrait Gallery; splendid work; comes in numbers, fifty cents apiece. Contains from the earliest times to the present day Everybody's subscribing for it, and I want to see if I can't take your name.

"Now, just cast your eyes over that," he said, opening his book and pointing to an engraving. "That's-lemme see-yes. that's Columbus. Perhaps you've heard sumfin about him? The publisher was telling me to day, before I started out, that he discovered-No; was it Columbus that dis- Oh yes! Columbus, he discovered Was the first man here. came over in a ship, the publisher said, member right; and when the old thing

he was going to wade in a creek; but he's below, or in the street, thus keeping full could not tolerate being left alone, -not in command, went with his officers to the all there. Got some kind of a paper in his possession of his own domain.

A digremember exactly what he is colobrat-

lieve. Anyway, some Indians out West | Certainly he understood. there somewheres; and the publisher tells is, there, was going to bang old Smith over kingdom posses insensibly into another. hunted up a preacher and were married, me." The human frame itself is composed of and lived happily ever afterward. Beauti- They even laughed and said he under- holding an umbrella over his head, little frequent and deep gutteral expressions of organisms of various degrees of fineness, ful story, ain't it? A good wife she made stood the politics of the family, and from from the delicate substances of the brain him, too, I bet, if she was a little copper- his amusing aversion to negroes one would down to hard and almost lifeless bone, and colored. And don't she look just lovely in suppose so, as he could never abide the surgeon was called, but not being able to buffalo robes, and bound about with cords. they are interwoven one with another in that picture? But Smith appears kinder sight of that African race. One night a attend immediately, father thinking Cap General Maynadier ordered the carpenter to the most marvellous manner. All animals sick. Evidently thinks his goose is cook- coloured man being sent to the house with poisoned applied all sorts of known anti- prepare a scaffold and coffin, and when all ment.—This match, which was commenced are like man in structure and physiological ed; and I don't wonder, with that Modoc some ice-cream, shrieks and a general dotes. Among others, oil was poured was in readiness an ambulance was sent on the Gymkhana ground on Friday last, functions. Vegetables resemble animals in swooping down on him with such a dis- sound of rumpus brought as all to the kit- down his throat, and in the resistance he for, and just before sunset, on a clear and was continued and concluded yesterday.

this great globe itself, with its ceaseless stone steps in front of the house, with race, even in the street, without hot purmotion and flux and reflux of forces, a General Putnam laying there nearly skeerliving animal. The evaporation of its ed to death. Leastways, the publisher said waters, their descent in snow and rain, and somehow that way, and I oncet read about their return in countless brooks and rivers it myself. But he came out safe, and I for his pluck and party principles ! to the ocean, are the circulation of its reckon sold the horse and made a pretty blood the winds that sweep over it are its good thing of it. What surprises me is he breath of life; and the silent decay and didn't break his neck; but maybe it was a renewal which go on upon its surface, its | mule, and they're pretty sure-footed, you waste and digestion. The distinction, know. Surprising what some of these men contempt-not noticing their presence, or fell headleng, and only stopped at the

one of degree, and not of kind. A little | "Turn over a couple of leaves. That's and intolerable, he would give them a Going upstairs my father put his arms unmore or a little less heat is all that makes | General Jackson. My father shook hands | sound shaking, and throwing them over, | der him, I behind, and we brought him the difference between them, and matter is with him once. He was a fighter, I know. would look off into space—quite uncon- down. There he lay, and could not bear constantly passing from one of these forms | He fit down in New Orleans. Broke up | scions-an expression inimitable, I assure | to have us leave him, growing worse all the into another. The forces of nature, too, the rebel legislature, and then, when the you. In general he did not affect dog time, but responding to our caresses by a we now know to be but modifications of | Ku-Kluxes got after him, he fought 'em | company; carrying himself with a grand | wag of the tail-less and less-till the very one common force-heat, light, electricity, behind cotton breastworks and licked 'em | air and great dignity, he would look at | last, when only an inch moved; the rest of magnetism, and chemical affinity being till they couldn't stand. They say he was them and pass on Perhaps a sense of the body being quite stiff and rigid, and mutually interconvertible. The waves of terrific when he got real mad. Hit straight superior intelligence caused hauteur, more as the day left us, so did Captain -THOS. air which produce sound are paralleled on from the shoulder, and fetched his man probably family pride; for mark you, Cap K. Williams. Portland, Maine, U.S.A.the one side by the circles which a stone every time. Andrew his first name was; was nephew to the Prince of Wales's dog, Macmillan's Magazine. makes when thrown into still water, and on | and look how his hair stands up | And then | the Prince, while in this country, having the other by the vibrations of an invisible here's John Adams and Daniel Boone and had the finest specimen of a Newfoundland nedium which reaches to the stars, and two or three pirates, and a whole lot more | in the provinces presented to him. Whatconstitutes the vehicle of light. The pictures, so you see it's cheap as dirt. ever evolutions of thought Cap may have

> "I believe not to-day." "What! won't go in on William Penn. and Washington and Smith, and the other

"Well, well! Hang me if I'd a-wasted so point and say that here that plan ends and much information on you if I'd a knowed you wouldn't subscribe. If every man was like you, it'd break up the business."

The he wiped his nose and left. I hope did with me. - Max Adeler.

CAP: A NEW ENGLAND DOG. Cap was the usual name of Captain; its owner being a large Newfoundland dog just crossed with the staghound, making my own especial friend and confident. him the handsomest animal I ever saw, standing very tall, with elegantly curved neck and long silky ears that one could be learned to understand all that was said, pull down and meet under his chin. His whether directly addressed to him or not: whole head was a wender of dog beauty, and the following story is strictly true. with long nose and wondrously expressive | incredible as it may seem. eyes, which laughed or cried with you, always sympathising whatever your mood and one of them, noticing an article about might be; ready for a romp, or to come water standing in a room over night absorband press his nose through your arm, look- ing impure gases, and being unhealthy to ing up with almost crying eyes, seeming to | drink, read it aloud, and remarked, " If wish to show his sorrow at your grief. He that's the case, we must be sure and see had great tact, greater than many human friends, never obtruding his sympathy; but lying quietly down, his nose between his room, where he went and drank when he paws, he would watch every changing expictures of all the great American heroes | pression of face, till the time came when he thought he could offer tangible sympathy; then he would get up and come to you, seeming to wish by showing his own excessive love to make amends for any shortcomings on the part of the world. in return, having given his all, he wished the same, and could not put up with any division of affection with any other animal, scarcely with a human being; and his intelligence aided his jealousy in gaining the hext day the same thing occurred, and the point. He always accompanied my father to the office, which was at the head of a very long flight of stairs, and there spent and it took fire, and he stayed on deck most of the day, amusing himself indiffer- day of his death, three years later, did he ed the bedside of his beloved child. He ently with looking out of the window and touch a drop of water without having first found her slive, but sinking very fast, and with the people coming to and from the seen it poured frushly out, though never she bid him sit along beside her and hold her busted to pieces, he was killed. Handsome office. One warm day, the door being before had he thought of objecting. picture, ain't it? Taken from a photograph; open, and being much bored and put to all of 'em are; done specially for this work. it as to how to spend his time, he spied the broad flat landing where the stairs broken heart. She lineared a few days and His clothes are kinder odd, but they say a black and tan dog which belonged turned, thus having full view and command that's the way they dressed in those days. | across the street; acting on the impulse, of everything; the doors were all left open, "Look here at this one. Now, isn't that he went down and invited him up; which and every morning at about five he would splendid? William Penn; one of the early arrangement was very pleasing, and satis- go and put his nose in my father's hand sottlers. I was reading the other day factory till, in the course of their play, Mr. and wake him up apparently to tell him about him; when he first arrived, he got a Black and Tan jumped into a chair beside the night was salely past; being patted, lot of Indians up a tree, and when they'd my father, who, attracted by the little thing, and "All right, Cap" said, he would go shook some apples down, he set one on top | put out his hand and caressed him. Captain | down, having completed his vigil, to await of his son's head and shot an arrow plumb | was very angry, and almost flew at the the first appearance of a servant, to let him through it, and never fexed him. They dog, then thought better of it, and bided out for his morning walk, which was usually say it struck them Indians cold, he was his time. When Black and Tan got down, short. Just before going to bed he also such a terrific shooter. Fine countenance, Cap was unusually amiable and frisky, took a walk, which was not to be hasn't he? Face shaved clean; he didn't playing with him round and round, always short if the night was pleasant—unless wear a monstache, I believe, but he seems a little nearer and nearer the door, till, at requested to return soon; he would then to've let himself out on hair. Now, my the head of the stairs, he gave one great come back almost immediately. Whenever view is that every man ought to have a shove, and sent him flying to the bottom. my father went away, he would lie at the picture of that patriarch, so's to see how And never was that little dog allowed over foot of my mother's bed, realising there the first settlers looked and what kind of those stairs again. When he saw him com- was a change, and that she needed protecweskits they used to wear. See his legs, ing, or when he himself wished for a play, tion. too! Trousers a little short, maybe, as if he would go down and play in the hall He was essentially companionable, and elde near the fort. General Mayadier, then

ed for, but I believe it was flying a-oh, his memory for things. Like all New- day was very warm, and Cap accompanied to what is known as "Bedlam Quarters," yes! flying a kite, that's it. The publisher foundlands he was passionately fond of me to take a lesson some distance out of where the body was laid in state. The room mentioned it. He was out one day flying bathing, and had a certain stick which he town. During the lesson he asked for a kite, you know, like boys do nowadays, always carried to the water, and on return- water, which when brought he could scarceand while she was flickering up in the sky, ing put it in a particular place in our back ly reach, his hind leg being almost powerand he was giving her more string, an | yard; for, mind yeu, he had a bump for less. His endeavours to walk were most apple fell off a tree and hit him on the order. He put it away for the last time in agonizing; he looking to me uncomprehendhead, and then he discovered the attraction | October, the water being too cold to bathe | ing the cause and asking for help. After of gravitation, I think they call it. Smart, later; snow came soon after, covering it a while he was better, and I started to wasn't it? Now if you or me'd a been hit, up for months; and it was late in May | walk home with him, there being no carriit'd just a made us mad, like as not, and | before it was warm enough to swim again. | age or other conveyance obtainable in the set us a-oussing. But men are so different. My father said, "Cap! would you like to place. We had gone but a short distance One man's meat's another man's pison. See go to the water?" He jumped up, said when Cap again wanted water, and I stoppwhat a double chin he's got. No beard on Yes" in his way, ran to the door, round ed at the country grocery store to get some. him, either, though a goatee would have been | the house over the fence, had the stick and becoming to such a round face. He hasn't back again, panting with excitement. Some got on a sword, and I reckon he was no one coming just then, my father had to soldier; fit some when he was a boy, say, " Not to-day, Cap, to-morrow: "slowly I thought him dying. There was the usual maybe, or went out with the home-guard, and lingeringly he walked back and depositbut not a regular warrior. I ain't one ed the stick. The next morning, however. myself, and I think all the better of him on coming down, Cap was at the door, stick in mouth, apparently having perfectly un-"Ah, here we are! Look at that! Smith | derstood the cause of delay and determined and Pocahontas! John Smith. Isn't that to be in season to have no interruptions just gorgeous? See how she kneels over this time. Of course he was taken to the him and sticks out her hands while he lays | water immediately and had a grand bath : | roboration. " Wall, he got a-foul a toad on the ground and that big fellow with a singularly this was the only occasion he one day, and was just so. He'll come out club tries to hammer him up. Talk about was ever known to take his stick from on it all right." Every one stopped who woman's love! There it is. Modocs, I be- its place without a particular invitation.

me that Shacknasty, or whatever his name | suring each member of the household, nu- | ing, whom I hailed, told the necessities of derstanding what he could, and what could | the case, and he consented to unload his | At the close of Spotted Tail's remarks Genthe head with that log of wood, and this not do, with each. With those who could timber by the side of the read and take eral Maynadier arose and made one of the girl here, she was sweet on Smith, it ap- master him, he never held out uselessly, Cap home. The timber being taken off most appropriate addresses I ever heard. projectile weighing 30 kilogrammes (69 lb.) pears, and she broke loose and jumped but yielded with a peculiar grace, quite and Captain put in its place, the teamster He assured the chief of our deep sympathy forward, and says to the man with the his own; with those who could not, why he started. Cap began to try to wriggle him. | welcomed him to our fires, and proffered his experiments with the gun laid horizontal, Unity of Creation.—All the revelations stick, Why don't you let John alone? Me mastered them! Not overbearingly, but self off the dray, not liking the distance service. The chief and his warriors were of science go to demonstrate the unity of and him are going to marry; and if you impudently; and when requested by them between him and me on the side walk. He visibly affected, and when the General pro- about 6 kilometres away from the firing creation, and the arrangement of its various | kill him, I'll never speak to you again as | to do anything disagreeable to him, would | would have infallibly fallen off between the | posed to bury Monica in the post cometery kingdoms into an organic whole, with long as I live, or words like them; and so wag his tail as much as to say, "I'm not wheels, so the man stopped—it was no go. and have the Christian burial read over her intermediate gradations, by which one the man, he give it up, and both of them in a mind to, and I know you won't make I then got on and he made no further corpse, the chief was much gratified, and

chen, where Cap had half torn the clothes bit my father-not viciously, but naturally, bright, but bitter cold day the body of Mo- At the conclusion of play on Friday, the And now we come to—to—ah—to Putnam off the man, who, with rolling whites, now for who does not remember the days when nice was brought out, and Indians, officers game stood thus,—the soldiers had scored digestion, circulation, and respiration like __General Putnam. He fought in the war, stood petrified and livid with fright; Cap some one held our noses, and another some and soldiers, forming in procession, marched 38 and 114 for eight wickets, and the Para that of animals. Minerals spontaneously too; and one day a lot of 'em caught him making fresh plunges, carrying off piaces one poured the detested castor oil down, to the grave. At the scaffold the coffin was sees, at their single attempt had put togecrystallise into forms emulating those of when he was off his guard, and they tied of clothing each time. Indeed, it was all and what vigorous remonstrances we made? vegetables. They make up the substance him flat on his back on a horse, and most impossible to take the dog off, so When the surgeon came, he pronounced it gloves, meccasins, red flannel, and clothes runs ahead, with two wickets to fall, and of vegetable matter, and through it help to then licked the horse like the very mis- inveterate was his hatred. The servants, a slight attack of paralysis, and we knew to keep the dead maiden comfortable on her the Paraees had an innings to spare. At compose the animal frame. Nor was it an | chief. And what does that horse do but | on being questioned, said the man had done | we should not have Cap much longer. He altogether unreasonable fancy which saw in go pitching down about four hundred nothing. But never did he see one of his recovered though, and went about for a

This was in the war time, when Fort

eye and always watched closely, but never

even insults, at first; but if too persistent | landing. We all knew what was the matter.

When a child, I had a severe typhoid fever, and every morning Cap was sent with a note tied to his collar with tidings of my welfare to my grandmother. Nothing could distract him on such an arrand; but when arrived at the house he would go straight and lay his head in her lap till the note was untied. Then, considering his duty done he would go to the kitchen, be fed, and inspect the dinner-to which he is doing better with the work than he always returned, if to his mind; but if it was to be of poultry, or game of any kind, they saw him no more that day.

My father bought Cap when a pup for us children to play with, and great fun we had. As we grewolder he came into the house with us, our constant companion, told him everything, and he never peached. Thus constantly with us, and talked to,

My father and mother were reading, that Cap's water is changed every morning. He had water always in mother's dressingliked. Cap lay on the floor apparently unobservant. The next day he went to a member of the family and asked for water he had a peculiar way of asking for different things, so that these who knew him could tell his wants. She went to the dressingroom, and there was plenty of water. Cap looked at it, languidly tasted, and then looked up, thinking something must be the matter; it was turned away, and fresh water given him, which he drank, next after, so as to be remarked, and an explanation asked, when the foregoing conversation was recalled; and never till the

They brought it from the back of the store but he could not drink, and lay down quite overcome. My own misery was intense for gathering of a corner store, who all tried to console me with accounts of their dogs. One voluble Yankee told of his. "The little black one with white spots, you knowed him, you know!" I suppose I looked a little blank, for he said: "Anyhow, Jim did !" turning to the store-keeper for corpassed, till quite a crowd collected, each one with his own theory. In time a teamster And he read character to a marvel, mea- with his dray leaded with lumber was pass-

> thinking of the figure I out! When arrived at home the veterinary

time as umal. In January of 1872 one evening Cap had gone for his walk; my sister passing Warren was hung over our heads—so much through the hall heard a faint rap, and go- soon meet her where there was plenty of leg-before-wicket in the second. The Paring to the door, Cap came in and upstairs. Beggars he looked on with a suspicious Noticing something strange in his walk she called father, who came out of the library and spoke. Cap hearing his voice ran to Little dogs were treated by him with the stairs, and on attempting to descend

SPOTTED TAIL'S DAUGHTER

YELLOWSTONE, Montano, July 1. During the latter years of the war a par of Spotted Tail's family was at Fort Laramie and with them his favorite daughter, a young girl of 18. The fort was then garrisoned b companies of an Ohio volunteer cavalry regiment, and among the officers was a young lieutenant, of pleasant manners. Spotted Tail's daughter fell violently in love with this young man. Her passion does not seem to have been reciprocated, and it is said he did all he could to convince her he could not marry her, and therefore it would be wrong for him to visit her or receive visits from her. But the infatuated girl would not be convinced, and could not see why she, a princess and the daughter of the most powerful chief on the plains, was not a suitable wife for the young soldier. Day after day she would dress herself with scrupulous care, and come to the fort to see her beloved. was pitiable to observe her as, hour after hour, she would sit on the door-step of the officers' quarters, waiting for him to come out. At other times she would follow him about like a dog, seemingly happy to be near him, and enjoy the poor privilege of looking at him.

Spotted Tail, hearing of the strange conduct of his daughter, and deeply mortified at her want of self-respect, hastened to the fort, and, putting her in charge of some kind friends, bid them carry her into the Rocky mountains, where he had a little camp. a portion of his people dwelt in the fall and winter time. They were told to divert her make her forget her foolish passion. went away meekly though, but fell into a deep melancholy, from which no effort of friends could rouse her. Presently she refused to take food, and pined away until

she was a mere skeleton. One day a courier, whose horse was covered with foam, sought the chief to tell him his daughter was dying of a broken heart, and wished to see him once more before she passed to the spirit land. Away over mountain and stream, hurried the great chief, and paused not by night or by day until he reachhands in his while she told him all the simthen the faithful heart ceased to beat. Almost heart-broken, Spotted Tail bade his attendants prepare the body for burial and bear it as rapidly as possible on their shoulders to the fort.

Rev. A. Wright, then Post Chaplain Fort Laramie, describes the funeral as follows in a letter to the writer of this sketch :-It is now over ten years since the death of Monica, as she was called, and many of the interesting facts connected with her sad history are forgotten. I was then chaplain at Fort Lammie, and one day in February a messenger arrived and announced that Spotted Tail, with a band numbering 300, was on the other side of the North Platte river, with the dead body of his daughter, which he had brought from the Powder River country, 15 days' travel, and desired to bury on the hillthat I think he had sine to think of that river bank and met the funeral cortege. in Calcutta on Thursday evening, on receipt

had been hastily decorated with flags, musthe place were present, and the crowd of inside but the porch and grounds outside. General Maynadier made a speech of condolence, and welcomed Spotted Tail to the post. The chief replied in Sioux, and his speech was very beautiful, even as imperfeetly interpreted in our language by Charles Gareau. I remember it affected every one present. Among other things, Spotted Tail said: "I am sad, but when I look around at this beautifully-decorated room and see your kind and sympathetic white faces I feel comforted. It seems to me all like a dream, but I have only to look out of that window and see the sun shining and hear the winds blowing, and I know it must be a reality." He then stated that though he had been on the war-path against the whites he desired now to be at peace and remain friendly with them forever. He gave the history of his daughter's death, and said her last request was to be buried in sight of her best friends, the pale-faces. During recital of his daughter's sufferings and the eventful journey of 15 days with her body through snow and storms, the old of est was very much affected, and all eyes were moist. objection, so we journeyed into town, I his followers expressed their approbation by "Ugh I" "Ugh I"

> The body of the girl was wrapped in opened, and the officers filled it with gauntlet | ther 92. Accordingly, the soldiers were 60 burial service, accommodating my remarks | the two remaining 66th men were disposed to the Indian superstition. I said Monica of without any addition being made to their would look down and take care of her father, score, the first man being bowled during the my side and wept bitterly, while the father | the loss of seven wickets. The result would gave a loud "Ugh." The coffin, which had very good indeed, but two easy catches the east. The two white ponies of the de- might have been saved by good fielding. ceased girl had been killed as soon as she The Parsees showed great patience in their died, and their heads and tails, which had play and batted very carefully, and they been brought with her, were now nailed to deserve great credit for the victory they the posts of the scaffold and a barrel of water obtained. - Bombay Gazette. placed under each pony's head. The ponies were to convey her to the happy hunting grounds, and the water was to drink on the

> The grave of Monica is among the first objects of interest that strikes the eye of the traveler as he approaches Fort Laramie on the Cheyenne road. The love affair of this cently concluded at Chefco. This Convenbeautiful Indian girl happened before I was tion gives power to the Mandarins to levy the stationed at the fort, but I often heard the stationed at the fort, but I often heard the story from General Maynadier, Colone. Bullook and others. Spotted Tail, when knew him, had three wives, the mother of his unfortunate daughter Monica being the first and favorite. She was a small woman and of rather delicate frame. Spotted Tail. as you know, is tall, well formed, and a natural orator. He is, I think, the only really good speaker I have ever known in the Sioux tribe.

After her death, Spotted Tail often spoke of his daughter Monica, and still fondly cherishes her memory. In the affectionate council at Laramie in 1866, 79 said, with great softness in his voice, "Were not the hopelessness of resistance and the dictates of policy sufficient to deter me from committing acts of war, the pledge I made my child in her dying hour would cause me to keep at peace with your people."-Correspondence Philadelphia Times.

AN AMERICAN DISH. Curtis Guild, in his nev book about European travel, tells this amusing story | non, Mackenzie and Co., of Calcutta, have about the celebrated American banker received a telegram announcing the total loss George Peabody, who lived in London: Mr Peabody had invited three English- which is reported to have struck on a hitherto

on this occasion, having received as a gift | Malayan seas. The passengers and orew ten ears of green corn, determined to re- were all saved, but were forced to remain on new the recollections of his youth, astonish | the island 12 days until taken off by the str. his English and please his American guests Ananda. Four hours after striking the by having it served up in the well-known vessel broke in two, the after part sinking. American style

of butter and salt were placed before each | and 120 horse-power. The following teleguest, and the banker, with something of gram has been received from Rangoon :an air of mystery, announced that he was "Court of Inquiry on loss of Kurrachee now about to treat his guests with a well- acquit Captain Sayers of all blame. The known and delicious American dish of food, accident was entirely due to want of proper cooked in the American manner. It would surveys and charts. The rock was quite be no novelty to his American guests, but unknown." Telegrams have also been rethe Englishmen might watch how it was coived in Bombay reporting the loss of the disposed of by them, and follow their example and manner of disposing of it.

a moment more, in obedience to the bank. room began rapidly to fill, when the captain er's nod, he whisked off the cover, and decided upon running the vessel on shore in there, before the astonished guestt, was the hops of saving her and the cargo. Latest displayed a pile of ten boiled corn oubs horror and dismay, and then found voice

-a fellow who had never before seen an ear of Indian corn in his life. He replied that he had followed his master's direction to "strip off all the outside | ed for the above information. before boiling," which he had done most faithfully, not only hunks, as was intended, feel it a duty I dwe to you to express my but kernels, also, so that the banker had only what is in America the mute evidence

intentions to his guests.

of the feast to indicate what were his good

According to the Englishman, Thunks: givings were offered up in all the mosques hand, I see. Subscription list, I reckon. . . He had a remarkable memory, recogniz- made him unhappy, but the loved company, of the telegram announcing the Türkish health. Please give this publicity for the Less see; who have we next? Ah, ing friends by face or voice, though per- end would follow me miles on a walk | and bearing in their midst the body of the Print victory over the Russians at Plevine, and Franklin! Benjamin Franklin, He was heps for a year or two absent, and would it was on one of these walks, when I was coss, and chanting a funeral direct which again on Friday morning for Sulciman .-- I and Sir, yours truly, Harat Anti-ass. one of the old original ploneers, I think, run wagging body and tail squally to meet older and also! he too, that his first signs was low and monthful in the extreme, We Pooha's victory at Eaki-maghra Great -To the Proprietors of Nonton's Camothem. But this was not so estonishing as of advancing age hawas themselves. The joined the procession and majohed to the fort enough attended all the principal mornios. Mills Pills."

IMPORTANT additions are to be made to the defences of Rangoon. Two batteries are to be constructed at Monkey Point to kets and sabres. All the principal men of protect the entrance to the harbour—one for Armstrong guns, the other for White-Indians and soldiers not only filled the space | head torpedoes. The guns will be 84 and 64 pounders, and will be mounted on the Moncrieff principle.

CAPTAIN Thomas Connell, in charge of the lightship at Naniconagan Station, reports that on July 8 he picked up a bottle floating past the lightship, and on opening it found a si of paper with the following words :-- "Whoever finds this bottle let them tell our families we are burning to pieces. Steamship Pictou. I must run. I cannot say more." Captain Connell says the paper was scorched and much decayed. It had no signature or date. The steamship Pictou left Quebec on November 14, 1873, and was last seen off Pictou (N.S.) All that was ever found of her were some of her spars and other pieces of the wreck,

VERY successful experiments have been recently carried out with the new siege gun manufactured for the Austrian army on the Uchatius system. The trials were made on the ranges at Steinfeld, near Vienna, under the direction of General Uchatius himself, and in the presence of the Archduke William. The new piece has a calibre of 150 millimetres (very nearly 6 inches), with a charge of 8 kilogrammes (183 lb.) of powder, throws a piece sufficient elevation a range of 14 Austrian, or nearly 7 English miles will be attainable. Should these expectations be fulfilled, an Austrian siege battery armed with the new guns will be able to bombard fortresses from a distance beyond the range of the ordnance of the defenders.

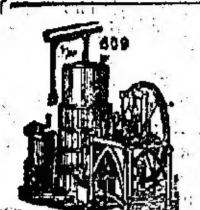
CRICKET MATCH. -- Parsees v. 66th Regijourney to the spirit land. I improvised a the commencement of the game on Monday, mother and friends, and that they would first over, while the other was given out game and no more dying, snow storms or sees had then 61 runs to score to win the tears. The mother of the dead girl stood by match, and this they succeeded in doing for chief often wiped his eyes, and at the close | very probably have been different had the of each sentence I uttered the dusky crowd soldiers fielded better. Their bowling was been neatly covered with red cloth by Col- were "buttered" and two men let off at onel Bullock, the post trader, was raised upon I the wickets in very lubberly fashion, beside the scaffold and placed with the head towards | which a great many runs were scored which

The Government of India has certainly chosen an unfortunate time for raising the duty on Malwa opium. Not only is the opium trade at present in far from a flourishing condition, but its prospects are threatened with serious injury by the Convention re-Government having put forward the pretext that this concession was necessary in order to prevent the smuggling of foreign goods into China, which was, they alleged, carried on extensively while the dues were levied at an interior oustoms' line where they could be easily evaded. But the only result of allowing the Mandarins to collect dues at the port of importation will be to put a fresh tax on foreign goods, as the internal customs' dues will still be collected on one plea or another. This new tax will be a protective duty in favour of Chinese as compared with Indian opium, and the competition the Malwa drug has already to encounter in China will thus be made much more formidable. We think, therefore, the Indian Government would have done wisely to leave the export duty levied in this country untouched, for a Finance Minister in India ought to be very careful indeed not to play tricks with the opium revenue, or he may some day find that he has lost it.

We (Bombay Gazette) much regret to learn that the British India Company have lost another of their steamers. Messrs Mackinof the s.s. Kurrachee on the 19th July. men to meet two Americans at dinner, and unknown rook near Gregory's Island, in the The Kurrachee was one of the smallest of Accordingly, at the proper time, plates | the British India steamers-being 510 tons, s.s. Cheops, off Vingorla on Sunday. She left Bombay on Friday morning with 18,000 Then, at a signal, entered a stately butler, | bags of rice and grain for Vingoria and bearing a large, covered dish, which he de- Carwar, and in anchoring at the former port posited solemnly before Mr Peabody. In she struck on a sunken rock. The engine advices state that she has bilged and become The banker gazed for an instant in mute a total wreck, her decks being completely swept and level with the water at high tide. to demand an explanation, which was fin- The Cheops was a fine vessel, of 991 tons. ally reached when the cook was summoned commanded by Captain J. L. Dryden, and belonging to Messrs Shaw, Maxton, and Co., of London. Messrs Nicol and Co. were the agents of the steamer, to whom we are indebt-

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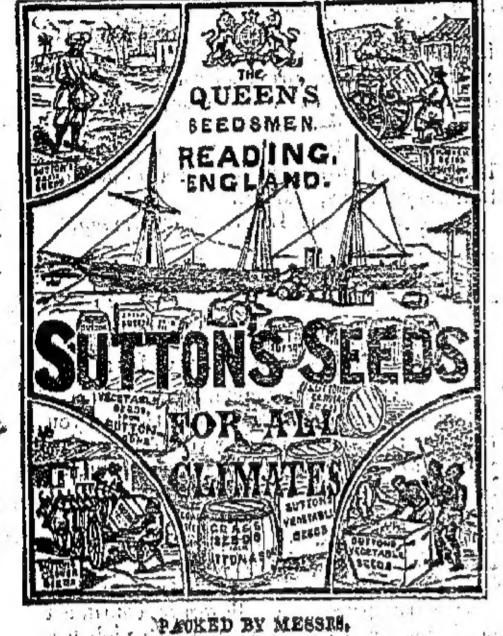
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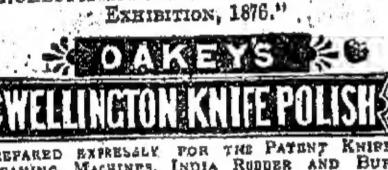
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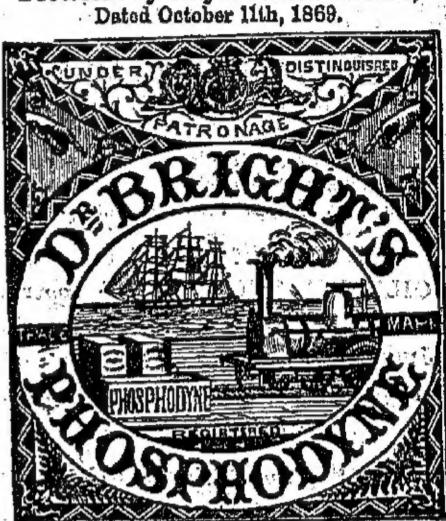
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DEPARTURES. Sept. 18. Iris, for Newchwang. 15, Circs, for Fooshow.

- 15, Echo, for Chefco. 15. Kaisow, for Vancouver's Island. 15. Mariveles, for Manila.

15, Nelson, for Swatow. 15, Victory, for Tientaln, 15, Bon Accord, for London. 15. Taiwan, for Coast Ports.

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St. John; 15th crossed the Equator. From August 17th to 27th strong S. W. gale with very heavy squalls, and heavy sea running. Sept. 3rd, sighted the Babuyan Islands. Light variable airs from thence to Hong-

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German ship Galatea, 1296, hence to San Francisco, private. British schooner Auguste, 210, hence to Port Elizabeth and Cape Town, private.

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chwang to Hongkong, 18 cents per picul, French bark Papillon, 458, Newchwang to Hongkong, 20 cents per picul, 30 lay

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German ship Adolph, 867, Newshwang to Swatow, 20 cents per ploul, 20 lay days. German bark Gustav, 656, Newchwang to Swatow, 20 cents per picul, 25 lay days. French bark Charite, 256, hence to Haiphong and back, \$1,800 in full, 27 lay days. British ship Twilight, 630, hence to Singapore, \$1,300 in full, 17 lay days.

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British steamer Nelson, 894, Swatow to Singapore, passengers \$72 per head, 11 lay The following vessels have cleared seek-

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J. Henderson. Service at 6 P.M., every Sunday. All seats free. Morning Prayer and Communion on the First Sunday in each month at 11 a.m.

St. Szernen's Mission Chunch.—Rev. ther down the river, jettles which were A. B. Hutchinson, and Rev. Lo Sam formerly used were (in 1872) on dry land. Yuen. (All Services in Chinese.) Morning Prayer :- Litany, Ante-Communion, cass has been continued with marked effect, and Sermon, at 11 a.m. Bible Class, at 3 more especially on the Pootung shore, and the P.M. Presching, at 6.80 P.M. Holy Com- available channel has been further encrosched

munion, 1st Sunday in Chinese month. Berlin Foundling House, -Service in the German language, by Paster E. Klitzke, every Sunday, at helf-past ten A.M., in the Chapel of the Berlin Foundling House, West Point.

Shipping. 10 a.m. - Yangteze leaves for Shanghat.

MEMOS. FOR MONDAY. Mesting.

5 p.m. - Meeting of the Legislative Council. Amusement.

8.30 p.m. -- Entertainment at Tomberense Hall, Stanley Street,

General Memoranda.

TUESDAY, September 18:--Noon - Yesso leaves for Coast Ports. 5 p.m. - Golden Horn leaves for Salgon on or about this date.

WEDNESDAY, September 19:-Noon; - Esmeralda leaves for Manila. THURSDAY, September 20:-Noon. - American Mail leaves for Yoko-

hams and Ban Francisco. 9 p.m.—Meeting of Victoria Lodge. FRIDAY, September 21:-Noon. -General Weekly Sale by Messrs Lane, Crawford & Co.

SATURDAY, September 22:-Noon,-English Mati leaves for Ports of Call and Europe. Furniture, &c., at No. 27, Welling- toriness and lack of funds. ton Street.

WEDNESDAY, September 26:-3 p.m.-Meeting of Shareholders of the Union Insurance Society of Canton, at its Head Office, Hongkong.

SUNDAY, September 30:-Application for Shares in the North China Insurance Co. must be made on or before this date.

MONDAY, October 1:-Francisco.

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HONGKONG, SATURDAY, BEPT. 15, 1877.

A Long letter has been addressed by the Shanghai Chamber of Commerce to the Ministers of the Treaty Powers calling attention to the gradual deterioration the navigable channels of the Wangpu, and urging the Ministers to impress mon the Tsung-li Yamen the importance of organising without delay a Board of Conservators. The Woosung Bar is an old grievance, now worn thoroughly threadbare, but, in regard to the progress of the silting up in the reaches of the river off the Settlement, some rather significant facts are referred to in the letter. Facts, the letter states, appear to justify the existing popular apprehension that the narrowing and shallowing of the river which has taken place during the last fifteen years, and which it is believed has been the result of preventible causes, will, if unchecked, eventually render Shanghai inaccessible from the sea to vessels of heavy draught. These facts are enumerated in the letter as follows:--

Observations recorded in 1872, with regard to the breadth of the river, showed that where the Shanghai Steam Navigation Company's iron godowns stand on the left bank, there were formerly fourteen to fifteen feet of water, and that four hundred feet further out, where at an earlier period there had been twenty-three to twenty-four feet at low tide, in 1872 there were only fifteen feet, bank having formed about 1,000 feet long while on the opposite shore the Pootung bank at Jardine's wharf had advanced three hundred feet into the river, and at Muirhead's etty, lower down, the depth had decreased from sixteen feet to six. On the left bank again, the English bund had been almost entirely reclaimed from the river, together with the Public Garden, and the Soochow Creek had narrowed from both sides, while at Howard's Wharf, where there had been sixtoen feet of water in 1883, the ground was dry at low tide twenty-five feet beyond. On the other side of the river, the Pootung Point in eight years up to that time had extended itself eight hundred feet, and off Lambert's Yard, where in 1862 the mail steamers were

Opposite the Hongkew Wharf, at a distance Lamont. Morning Service, at 11 A.M. this date only eighteen feet six inches at low | 12th, 1877 :water, leaving a channel wide enough for St. Peter's Seamen's Onurch.—Rev. only one steamer to swing where some years Thursday, Sept. 5th, - before three rows of ships and two rows of Friday, 7th, small craft were anchored. At Dent's Wharf Saturday, there were only fourteen feet of water at a distance of fifty feet from the spot where in 1863 there were sixteen feet, while still fur-During the last five years the silting pro-

upon, while the depth of it has decreased.

The latter also draws attention to the report, recently published; of the Dutch engineers in the service of the Japanese Government, and who, if we recollect rightly, surveyed the river some two years or more ago. This report, seems, supports the conclusion arrived at by the Chamber that the shallownarrowing of the river preventible, "It is not to be denied," adds the Chamber, "that no adequate supervision is exercised over the proceedings of either natives or foreigners in connection with the banks and channels reformation has arrived from the Coast. of the Wangpu, Junian discharge their Whother or not any parties of this incharge

ballast into the stream without let or may be set down to the scarcity of food \$119,006.38, against which there are pendhindrance, piles are driven below high in the country, it is unsafe to say. It is water mark, bunds are constructed and beach lands reclaimed sometimes with the permission of, but not unfrequently in spite of the opposition of the Taotai, whose ruling on such occasions appears it is to be feared a large proportion are law or scientific practice." There was a and its lawful possession. time when the Chinese authorities regarded the Woosung Bar as a "Heaven- THE adjourned Inquest on the body of the sent barrier" against barbarians, but that opinion is no doubt modified somewhat in the present day. The obstacles in the way of the removal of the Bar, and the proper dredging and protection of the Wangpu generally, are probably 2 p.m.—Sale of Household and Office nothing more than Chinese official dila-

THE "Eastern Question" appears to have drawn the ladies into the political arena. At the "Annual Meeting of the Ladies' Peace Society" held in London some time ago this great question, which has troubled the greatest diplomates and not go as she was afraid to see the body. with a promptness and vivacity that was 3 p.m. -- Occidental & Oriental S. S. Co.'s only equalled by the originality and Steamer leaves for Yokohama and San startling character of the arguments adlast year were the "immediate result" of the Crimean War, while a Mrs Balfour, with appalling ingenuity, proceeded to turn Tennyson's "Charge of the Six Hundred into a satire upon English soldiers, Selecting the lines, "Theirs not to reason why

Theirs but to do and die," Mrs Balfour "utilised" them, as she "by simply reading them in contrary sense to that of the author, -as, in fact, a positive and convincing proof "what fools soldiers are to place themselves voluntarily in a position where they must not exercise the noble prerogative of reason, and where at the blunder of some ignorant person they may even have to rush into sudden death." sequently Miss Julia Howe of America deprecated, in touching tones, the astonishing wickedness of English school-boys, who, in spite of the injunction in the beautiful lines commencing "Let dogs delight," persisted in using their hands to fight each other. On the whole we are hopeful of the "Ladies' Peace So-

ACCORDING to the Customs Gazette for the quarter ending June last, the number of vessels entered at Canton during the three months was 209, tonnage 155,298, against 260, tonnage 113,471, in the corresponding quarter of 1876. No less than 165 of the 209 vessels were river Passengers to Hongkong ateamers. numbered 82,210 natives, and 3,465 The import of Shirtings amounted to 34,405 pieces, against 34,224 in 1876, and 33,202 in 1875; T-Cloths 10,512 pieces, against 10,397 in 1876. The export of fans reached 2,935,986, against 1,831,930 in 1876; fine raw silk 1,888 piculs, against 1,148 in 1876; and against 1,238 in the corresponding quar- Port. At Swatow the total number of vessels entered was 139, against 173 in 1876; the imports of cotton goods into this port for the quarter showing a considerable increase on any corresponding quarter during the previous three years. The export of sugar to foreign countries to Chinese ports a decrease. Trade Amoy and Foochow also appears from these returns to be on the increase.

LOCAL AND GENERAL

THE compass bearings of a steamer approaching from the East have been flying all the afternoon, at the Peak, and in all probability refer to the Volga.

THE steamship Gaelio, with mails from San Francisco to 21st ultimo, left Yokohama for this port on Thursday, the 18th instant.

THE M. M. S. Yangtoze, with the outward mails, left Saigon at 5 p.m. yesterday, and passed Cape St. James at 11 o'clock last

THE maximum temperature at the Harbon Master's Office during the last week was 88.0 and the minimum 76.0. The maximum temperature at the Lock Hospital, for the month of August was 94.0, and the minimum 73.0.

RETURN of Visitors to the City Hall Library

and Museum for the week ending Sept. 10th.

Wednesday, Totals, Grand total, 2,835.

THE number of suspicious-looking chare actors to be seen about the Colony at present, coupled with the fact that so many alarms have been lately given, would seem to indicate that the lawless classes of the Kwangtung Province are awakening to the fact that Hongkong, under the present administration, is becoming an El Derado for the soum of the mainland. We hear that large numbers of the worst class of natives arrive by every Canton steamer, and it is even said that a consignment of moral and physical working material for

to be hoped that all the Chinese who are flocking to our city are not thieves, although from the threatening appearance of things to be governed by no settled principle of unsound regarding their views of property

female child Yip Atal, who was most brutally violated and then murdered, was resumed this afternoon by the Coroner. The 2nd prisoner (Wong Asam) was put into the box. She said she went about 12 o'clock on the 10th instant with the 1st prisoner, Chaung Kong, to gather fir cones, She saw on the hill opposite something like the figure of a man, and she told the male prisoner to go there to see what it was He went and informed her that there was the body of a child lying there. She did politicians for generations, was settled They then came down the hill, and on the way they informed a stone-cutter of what they had seen. That was all she knew of duced. One lady rapidly arrived at the the affair. Other witnesses were called, but conclusion that the Bulgarian atrocities of they did not throw any additional light on the matter or bring home the guilt to the prisoners. The theory of the Police was that the prisoners went up the hill for an illicit purpose, and being frustrated by the deceased they took revenge upon her, but there was no evidence whatever to support this theory. The male prisoner accounted | that they be re-appointed. for the scratches on his person by saying that he got them when he went among the bushes. The Jury returned a verdict that the deceased was violated and murdered by certain person or persons unknown.

THE usual fortnightly Entertainment will be given at the Temperance Hall on Monday evening next, commencing at 1-past 8; admission being free as hitherto. The programme is as follows :--

1.—Pianoforte Solo, Finale alla Turca— Mogart. 3.—Recitation, "I sailed from the Downs." 4.—Solo for Mouth-Organ.

5.—Song, "When other lips."

6, -Recitation, "Bethgelert." 7.-Trio, Violin, Violoncello and Piano, Arrangement from "L'Elisia d'Amore. 8. -Song, "Loss of H. M. S. Captain,"

9.—Violonoello Solo, 10 .- Song, "The old plaid shawl." 11.—Recitation, "Dip your roll in your own pot at home. 12.—Song, "Oh, where is my Nano;

THE following notifications appear in the Government Gazette of to-day:-His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint A. B. Johnson, Esquire, to be Acting Crown Solicitor vice E. Sharp. His Excellency the Governor has been

pleased to recognize Mr H. Selden Loring silk piece goods of all kinds 1,393 piculs, as Vice-Consul for the United States at this His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to make the following provisional appointments in the Government Central The defendant said the chair coolie wanted School:-H. D. Ball, Esquire, 4th Master,

to be Acting 3rd Master, vice W. T. Gair,

Acting 4th Master on probation. also exhibits a considerable increase, but The Government Gazette of to-day contains the following copy of a despatch dated July. 17th, addressed by the Earl of Derby, to

Her Majesty's Chargé d'Affairs at Peking:-"SIR,-I have had under my consideration your Despatch No. 94 of the 25th of April last, upon the subject of your correspondence with Her Majesty's Consul at Amoy as to the amount of protection that should be afforded by a Consul in China to naturalized British subjects of Chinese descent; and I have to state to you, in 1870, such persons are not entitled to British protection in China, even if naturalized in England, unless by their naturalization they have ceased to be Chinese

The same rule applies with still greater force to Chinese naturalized in the Colonies. since Colonial naturalization only operates within the limits of the Colony which grants the naturalization.

With regard to Chinese who are British subjects by birth, they can only claim British protection in China when they have complied with the Regulations laid down in Sir R. Alcock's Circular of October 7th

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON. Report for Presentation to the Shareholders at the Fourth Ordinary Meeting, to be - held at the Society's Offices, at 3 o'clock

p.m., on Wednesday, September 26:-The Directors have the pleasure to submit to the Shareholders the Report on the business of the Society for 1876, as well as for the six months ending 30th June last. and are glad to be able to call attention to the satisfactory results shewn.

1876.—The net Premium collected from less Reinsurance and Returns, amounts to \$899,855, and compares favourably with the previous year's receipts, which were It will be noticed from the annexed Stats-

ment that after providing for the distribution of \$104,000 to Contributing Shareholders and placing an equal sum to Reserve Fund, Tamely !-1st Interim Bonus to

2nd Interim Bonus to Contributors, 8 % (Deblared 3rd September, Carried to Reserve Fund (1st May 1877).... \$40,000

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Contributors, & % (De-

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(3rd Sept. 1877) \$64,000

The balance of Working Account to date in | Captain Clauchy roplied that is aid not

ing claims estimated at \$25,000, leaving \$94,006,38 to be dealt with hereafter. 1877,-The position of the Society for the

present year, as far as it can be ascertained, is as follows: Balance of working Account for the six months ending 30th June 1877 as per Statement \$333,872 dd-Estimated Premium earned

since, less allowance for Reinsurance, Return Premium, and Charges \$523,872

Deduct-Estimate of Losses known to the present time... Credit balance ... \$450,000

As compared with \$221,214.60 at the corresponding period in 1876. The Directors avail themselves of this opportunity to mention that in all probability the future apportionment of the un-" divided profits of 1876 (\$94,008.38 as already stated), will increase the Reserve Fund from its present amount of \$210,500 to \$250,000, and that consequently the proportion of profits to be given to Contributors from 1st January, 1877 will be 66.66 per cent or Two-Thirds, in conformity with the

as in the previous three years. Agencies .- Messrs Falkner, Bell & Co., who have for some time acted as Correspondents at San Francisco, have recently been appointed Agents and authorised to issue policies on behalf of the Society.

Deed of Settlement, instead of 50 per cent

Directors .- Messrs J. P. Barnes and H. L. Dalrymple retire from the Board in accordance with the provisions of Clause 109 of the Articles of Association, but offer themselves for re-election.

Auditors. - Messrs Geo. O. Scott and J. H. Cox also retire, but it is recommended H. Lowcock, Chairman,

CORRESPONDENCE.

INSECURITY IN PROSPECT.

To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL." Hongkong, September 15, 1877. Sir, -It may be some satisfaction to you to know that, in expressing your opinions as you do about the doings at present going on in this Colony, you are saying the same that I hear on all sides from the respectable Chinese residents. All the well-to-do natives are feeling uneasy about the present influx of bad characters, and they predict that, if the policy now followed be continued much longer, daring robberies with violence, in broad daylight and in the most populous parts of the town, will become a quite common thing. A case cocurred only the other day, where a Chinaman returning from Batavia was attacked by 6 or 7 men, one of whom at least was armed with a dagger, in the most populous part of the Chinese town, in the most central part of Bonham Strand-at the junction of that thoroughfare with Mercer Street. The case is on the Criminal Calendar for the ensuing Sessions. If it is not believed what I say, it can easily be shown to be true by a conversation with almost any Chinese shopkeeper or trader in the Colony.

I am, yours &c., "T'ONG YAN."

Folice Intelligence. (Before James Russell, Esq.) September 15, 1877.

Thomas King, an engineer, unemployed, was charged with refusing to pay chair hire. to put him down at Wanchai, but he did not want to be there. Fined 50 cents and deceased. George Piercy, Esquire, to be to pay 50 cents amends.

ALLEGED TRAFFIC IN WOMEN. Chun Achap, a married woman, was charged with bringing a girl named Hung Ayook, 17 years of age, into the Colony for the purp see of prostitution. The girl stated that she was 17 years of age and a native of Macao. Her father was dead and her mother pledged her six years ago to the defendant. Shortly afterwards her mother asked for more money and was paid \$10 more. The complainant was then taken to Heongahan to be a prostitute, when she was 14 years old. Last month the defendreply, that under the Naturalization Act of ant took her to Hongkong with the object of getting her a husband. On her arrival, the defendant asked her to become a prostitute and took her to a brothel, but she refused to become one. Yesterday the defendant took her out to buy things, and she alipped from her and made a report at the Supreme Court .- The defendant said the complainant's story was entirely untrue, When she was 14 years of age she ran away with a man who sold har to become a concubine. A report was made to the Chinese authorities of her loss, and she was ultimately brought back on the payment of \$8 as reward. Last month the complainant asked her to bring her down to Hongkong to get married. She took her here, but she ran away. As the complainant's story was so improbable, the Magistrate discharged the case.

Ng Aloi, a chair coolie, was charged with stealing \$1,900 from Captain Clanchy of the steamer Danuba Captain Clanchy said that he was in the habit of engaging the defendant's chair for the last three years when his vessel was in port, and the prisoner was one of the coolies he usually end the 1st January to 31st December 1876, gaged. On the 16th January last he gave the defendant \$1,900 in a parcel to take from the Wing Kee shop to the Yuan Fat Hong. The money was in sixteen \$100 notes and six \$50 notes. After despatching the goolie, the complainant felt somewhat uneasy and went in half an hour to the Yuen Fat Hong, when he found the prisoner had not been there. He at once gave information to the Police. The complainant had been in the habit of sending the chair-coolies away with parcels and chits, and on every occasion the delivery was quite proper. The prisoner was then seen no more, but he was traced to a village near Swatow, and about two months ago Capt. Ordagh handed back \$1,600 to the complainant, but he returned \$20 to the Police as a reward to the informers for

having recovered this money The Magistrate said the Captain was placing temptation in the way of the prisoner when he gave him such a large sum of money to take. He did not undere

stand how the Captain could have thought of doing so.